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## TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

### THE HUNAN SITUATION.

Shanghai, October 31.  
The Central Government has wired to Ng Pui-foo, the Chief Commander of Hunan, to investigate and report on two important points—as to why no report has been received regarding the rumour that the forces of the South have been strengthened at many strategic points, and if an attack is made by the Southern troops whether the strength of the Northern forces is sufficient for defensive purposes.

### MONGOLIAN MATTERS.

Shanghai, October 31.  
There are many conditions demanded by the Unga Government on the cancellation of Mongolian independence contained in the official document which has been received and submitted to the committee of the Tibetan and Mongolian Affairs for discussion. These will be published when a thorough investigation has been reported by Chu Shi-tsang, who left Peking for Unga a few days ago.

### SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

### SINGAPORE'S NEW GOVERNOR.

Singapore, October 30.  
Sir Laurence N. Guillemard, the new Governor of the Straits Settlements, sails for Singapore on December 19, probably by the P. and O. s.s. Delta.

### INTERRED GERMANS IN JAVA.

Singapore, October 30.  
The ex-German vessel Roon sailed for Java yesterday to embark the masters, officers and engineers from the German steamers interned in Java.

### THE SHANGHAI OPIUM CASE.

Shanghai, October 30.  
The four lakhs opium case has been adjourned in the British Court pending service of seven defendants. Those already served are Edward Ezra, D. E. J. Abraham, and A. Howard.

### ROME TO TOKYO FLIGHT.

Shanghai, October 30.  
Five Italian aviators are arranging preparations for a Rome to Tokyo flight landing here and at Kiangwan.

### HIGH EXCHANGE AND BIG BUSINESS.

Shanghai, October 30.  
Big exchange business has been done at better than six shillings and tenpence per tael.

### EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

#### CHINA AND ITALY.

Rome, Oct. 29.  
Minister Lu Tseng Tsang in an interview said, regarding Shantung, that "China has unshakable confidence in the final decision being according to the principles of justice which must ensure all countries full satisfaction of their legitimate national aspirations."  
It is announced that he arranged with Signor Tittoni in Paris for the institution of a direct line of navigation between Trieste and Tientsin. While he is here an Italo-Chinese Bank is being formed with Italian and Chinese capital, also an Italo-Chinese Association presided over by Senator Arton, president of the Colonial Institute. Lu Tseng Tsang leaves on 24th Oct. for Naples. Afterwards he goes to Bern and sails on 30th Oct. from Marseilles for Tokyo.

#### AMERICA AND THE PEACE TREATY.

Washington, Oct. 29.  
The Senate Foreign Relations Committee, despite the opposition of the Democrat leaders, has adopted the revised reservations to the Peace Treaty relating to Article 20, the Monroe Doctrine and withdrawal from the League; also it adopted the preamble to the reservations providing that the Treaty do not become effective until three of the other Allies have agreed to the Senate's reservations.

#### REPATRIATED CHINESE COOLIES.

Harro, Oct. 29.  
Four thousand Chinese, who are being repatriated embarked on the steamer Caronia.

## PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

### VESSELS FOR SHANGHAI-CALCUTTA RUN.

It will doubtless interest the public to learn that the United States Shipping Board has decided to turn over to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, seven steamers for operation between Shanghai and Calcutta, calling at present at Hongkong, Saigon, Singapore, Port Swettenham, Penang, Rangoon, Calcutta, and Madras. It is hoped that with these vessels a ten-day schedule will be maintained.

The steamers which have been decided upon for this new service are—

s.s. "Caddopeak"  
s.s. "Doylestown"

s.s. "Lake Gilpin"  
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s.s. "Lake Gitano"  
s.s. "Lake Faulk"

Advices have been received that the "Lake Gilpin" sailed from San Francisco, October 11th, and the s.s. "Lake Farmindale" left New York October 5th. The s.s. "Doylestown" is expected at this Port early December from Bombay and way Ports; the s.s. "Caddopeak" has been in operation in the Philippine inter-island trade, also between the Philippines and Australia, and will be available for the new service at an early date.

By instituting this new line, it is not the desire or intention of the United States Shipping Board to disturb existing conditions, but with the steamers now in operation on the Pacific it is of the opinion that feeder services for the Trans-Pacific steamers are necessary.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

### SKELETON ORDINANCES.

### CONCESSION BY THE GOVERNMENT.

The meeting of the Legislative Council which was adjourned from yesterday until to-day was fully attended. The only business before the Council was the second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the law relating to Places of Public Entertainment. On this the very important question of delegating power to the Governor-in-Council to make regulations under Ordinances was raised.

In moving the second reading, the Hon. Attorney General, Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., said that, as Hon. Members were aware, the second reading of the Bill had been held over because of a question which had been raised many times recently by Unofficial Members as to Regulations made by the Governor-in-Council being submitted and laid before the Legislative Council. He proposed to move, during the Committee stage of the Bill, a new sub-section in Clause 6, which would read—

"6. (2) All regulations made as aforesaid shall be laid before the Legislative Council at the first meeting after they have been made; and if a resolution is passed at the next meeting after they have been so laid before the Legislative Council praying that any regulation shall be annulled, such regulation shall thenceforth be void, but without prejudice to anything done thereunder."  
This proposed amendment to Clause 6 of the Bill, in the main, founded on a precedent in the legislation of the Colony of Ceylon and did, in fact, embody very much the principle which was suggested by the Hon. Mr. Dodwell in the debate on the Rice Bill. Mr. Dodwell had observed, with reference to this question, "would it meet the case if the words were inserted that the Regulations should be submitted to the Legislative Council at the earliest possible moment without prejudice to the validity of anything done under them?" and Mr. Alabaster said, on that occasion "I am willing to make a concession if the Hon. Member makes his amendment read at the next meeting of the Legislative Council," but Mr. Alabaster also observed that he preferred the amendment which he originally proposed. Mr. Pollock added:—"With regard to the general principle of regulations made by the Executive Council being laid before the Legislative Council, which has been raised by the Honourable Unofficial Members in this Council on several occasions recently, I am authorised by His Excellency the Governor to state that, except in the case of Regulations dealing with matters of pure form or of a trivial nature, the Government is prepared, on all future occasions, to insert in Bills giving to the Governor-in-Council power to make Regulations, a provision similar to that which is now being inserted as sub-section (2) of section 6 of the Bill now under discussion. It is hoped that this solution of the matter will meet with the approval of Honourable Unofficial Members." He (Mr. Pollock) had one or two other amendments which he would move in Committee.

The Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, while appreciating the announcement His Excellency had authorised to be made, asked him if he could not go further and incorporate these regulations, which in this instance had actually been re-shaped by a committee of the Council, in the Bill and delete from Section 6 any reference to the other Council. The objection to this form of legislation was fundamental. Under the charter of the Colony His Excellency's duty was to govern the Colony with such assistance as he was able to obtain from two Councils. One, the Executive Council, helped him to shape his policy and had of necessity to sit in secret, while the Legislative Council closed

that policy in language and in doing so turned on it the searchlight of criticism and helped His Excellency to model it. There was no necessity in this Colony whatever to give any legislative functions to another body. The speaker proceeded to mention that at Home, where the Parliamentary machinery was so cumbersome, a certain amount of delegation of powers appeared to be absolutely necessary, but it was wrong, and even in matter of form such as the Attorney General had referred to there was a great danger delegating powers. He would ask him to read the decision of the Court of Appeal in England in the case of Dyson v. the Attorney General if he wanted to know what happened when they delegated powers of making laws to other bodies. Here up to a certain point the delegation of powers was merely done in those Ordinances drafted from Home legislation—in cases where certain powers were delegated to the Board of Trade and as they had no Board of Trade out here they delegated the powers here. It was bad draftsmanship and it was not necessary. In 1912 a change seemed to come over the policy of the Government in this matter and ever since then, the Legislative Council had been asked to render itself absolutely impotent by severing its muscles tendon by tendon. They did not want legislation by Order-in-Council. The exigencies of the war made it necessary for the Council to make certain concessions, but now the war was over and this Bill was not a war measure. It was not a matter of appointing officers or of making forms. It was the substantive law which would govern the type of building to be erected, entertainments, and regulations regarding fire. There was no reason why the Bill should not be amended in Committee so as to include the regulations in the schedule and abolishing Clause 6 as it stood. Some such procedure was adopted in the year 1911 in the Electricity Supply Bill of that year. He asked His Excellency to accept this amendment which would not harm the regulations in any way and they would preserve the principle which for some months they had been fighting for.

His Excellency the Governor said that he would like to speak personally on that matter instead of leaving it to the Colonial Secretary. He had had a good deal to do with legislation in many Colonies and he could assure the Hon. Member who raised the question that the universal trend of legislation in every civilised country was to reduce laws to essentials as far as possible and put the details in regulations which could be altered without the readings and formalities of a Council meeting. He was fully in agreement with what lay behind the objection that legislation should be conducted by the Legislature but that object was fully obtained by the power to object to any regulations. The body which had to administer them was better able to draft the regulations than the legislative body. Mr. Alabaster had referred to the practice in England, but there, and in practically every case in recent legislation, regulations were left to the Public Department to frame with the usual power of Parliament to over-ride or insist on modification. That, he submitted, was the only business-like way. He had been concerned in drafting a very large number of regulations and he supposed he had had experience in every possible way of dealing with them and framing them, and he said without hesitation that the practice of having them framed by the Legislative Council was the very worst possible way because it unquestionably resulted in having to amend them afterwards, sometimes very shortly afterwards. The reason why they were left to Public Departments in England was not from any desire on the part of His Majesty's Cabinet to concentrate power in their own hands, but simply that the system of leaving a large body of men to deal with regulations was exceedingly unsatisfactory as to the content and order

draftsmanship which resulted. Everybody, very naturally desired to bring forward his own point and it was almost impossible in a large body for people to realise the meaning of verbal changes. So it was that many regulations were passed which were neither common sense, nor law, nor grammar. The Hon. Member had only to consult legislation five or six years ago to find plenty of examples of what he referred to. He submitted that the proper course was to leave the Regulations in the hands of a small body which could go into them with care and consider every point as it arose and which was not bound to adhere strictly to the rules of debate and procedure and might dodge from one Regulation to another and back again if that would fensible them to draft the Regulations in a more satisfactory way. The power of the Council was absolute. It had only to bring forward a resolution desiring a regulation that had been laid before them should be modified or cancelled and the matter was then fully discussed and the Council had just as much power as if they had framed them. Referring to the present Bill, His Excellency drew an example from one of minor clauses. If it were desired that the capacity of the fire buckets in a theatre be altered from three gallons to 2½ or 5 gallons, was it suggested that he should go before the Council and ask that it be enacted with the advice and consent, etc., etc.? He thought they would agree that that would be wasting the time of a body of busy men. He thought that, from the practical point of view and from the point of view of principle, the course they now proposed to adopt was the right one.

The Bill was then considered in Committee stage and a few minor amendments were made.

Mr. Alabaster moved as an amendment to Clause 6 that the marginal note and all the words in Clause 6 be deleted and the following words substituted:—"The Regulations contained in the schedule shall govern places of public entertainment." That would make the Regulations that were ready part of the Bill. The amendment found no second.

The Bill was then formally passed through the remaining stages and passed.

## NAVAL WEDDING.

### COMMANDER BENNETT—MISS HANNEN.

The arrival of H.M.S. Hawkins in Hongkong has not only been of great naval interest but has also provided the Colony with a naval wedding, the like of which it has not seen for a very long time. At St. John's Cathedral this afternoon, the Commander of the China Station's new flagship, Commander Frederic Bennett, R.N., was married to Miss Mary Mabel Hannen in the presence of a big congregation, composed mainly of naval officers and men.

Commander Bennett is the son of Sir Courtenay Bennett, lately H.B.M.'s Consul General at New York, and Lady Bennett, whilst the bride is the elder daughter of the Hon. Henry Hannen, who is the youngest son of late Lord Hannen. She is also a niece of Sir Nicholas Hannen, the late Chief Justice at Shanghai.

The ceremony was performed by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Victoria (Dr. Lander), he being assisted by the Rev. V. H. Copley Moyle and the Rev. G. Pim, Chaplain of H.M.S. Hawkins.

The bride, who was given away by Vice-Admiral Sir Alexander Ludore Duff, K.C.B., was attired in an afternoon gown of lemon Georgette and carried a bouquet of pale yellow chrysanthemums. There were no bridesmaids, the ceremony being of the simplest. As a Processional, the hymn "The Voice that breathed o'er Eden" was sung and during the service "Lead us Heavenly Father" Commander Norman A. Woodhouse, R.N., discharged the duties of best man.

As the newly-married pair left the Cathedral an arch of cross swords was formed by officers of H.M.S. Hawkins. The motor-car, containing the bride and bridegroom, was drawn from the Cathedral to H.M.S. Hawkins by blue-jackets from the flagship.

Vice-Admiral and Mrs. Duff afterwards held a reception on board H. M. S. Hawkins and before going away for the honeymoon Commander and Mrs. Bennett received the congratulations and good wishes of the ship's entire Company. We understand that on returning from the honeymoon Commander and Mrs. Bennett will stay at the Kingsclere Hotel.

## TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 4s/5 11-16d.

## THE WEATHER.

Forecast—fine. Barometer—29.99. Temperature 2 p.m.—77. Humidity 2 p.m.—70.

## ATTEMPT ON EUROPEAN LADY.

### THROWN ON THE PAVEMENT BY A CHINESE.

Mrs. Routh, wife of Mr. Routh, of Messrs. Connell Bros., had a very nasty experience last night in the heart of the city. After having tea at the Hongkong Hotel, she went shopping with a lady friend. After the shopping expedition, Mrs. Routh was returning home and on her way to the Star Ferry, near the Hongkong Cigar Store, to be precise, she was tackled by a Chinese dressed in black trousers and a white coat, who, coming from behind seized the bag that Mrs. Routh was carrying. Mrs. Routh clung tenaciously to her possession and did not release her grip.

In the bag there was some money, a ring and other articles valued at about \$30. Mrs. Routh did not lose her presence of mind, and the Chinese, seeing that she might be a match for him, threw her on the pavement, and ran with the bag down to the Praya.

The chair coolies in Chater Road, who watched the incident did not raise any noise. The matter was reported to the Police, who seem to think that they may discover the ring.

### PERISHING WELSH BUMBLE-BEES.

So widespread is the mortality of bumble-bees in Montgomeryshire that the Board of Agriculture have been asked to send down an expert to inquire into the mysterious circumstances. Swarms of bumble bees have been found lying dead under lime trees. It is known that bees do sometimes get drunk and incapable on lime-juice, but that can scarcely be the explanation of the present epidemic. It is feared that they may have been attacked by the Isle of Wight disease.



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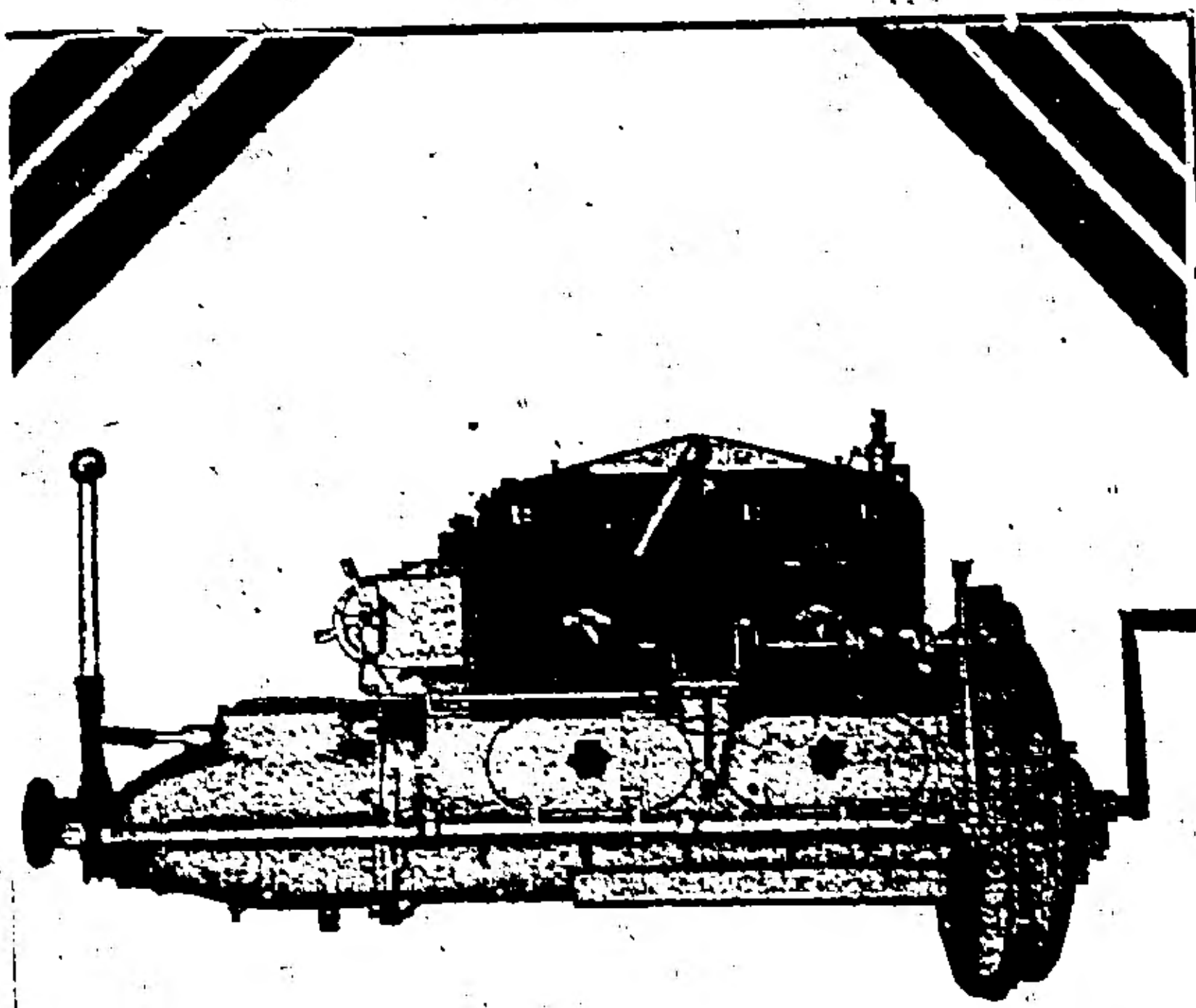
Germany, as the whole world knows, fought hard for the re-possession of her South Seas territories, especially the Treasure Island of Nauru. This island with its millions of tons of phosphate of lime the highest grade soil fertilizer known, was valuable to the over-worked agricultural lands of the Fatherland. Thousands of tons of the precious product were, before the war, annually taken to Germany though the mines were worked by British enterprise. Nauru Island is a tiny speck of land in the Central Pacific Ocean, 33 miles south of the Equator, and about equal distant from Australia, America, and Japan, that is, about 3,000 miles. It is 12 miles in circumference and 5,000 acres in extent.

By one of those incomprehensible turns of diplomacy, in which the British lost and the Germans gained this small but very valuable territory passed some years ago into the possession of Germany, and was attached for administration to the Marshall Islands, 300 miles off, and now under the Japanese. It was British enterprise which discovered the valuable phosphate rock, and built up a splendid industry for its exploitation. In the history of the German ownership of the island there is nothing creditable to record. The treatment of the natives was shocking, and there is little wonder they appreciate the present day British administration and have petitioned King George to take them under his protection. It was to this little island that the King, when a midshipman in H. M. S. "Bacchante," called on his voyage round the world and when on his way from Australia to China. One or two of the very old natives and traders remember him well, and the kindly manner in which he and his elder brother entertained them while on an invitation visit to the ship.

Experts have estimated that there are at least 40,000,000 tons in sight of the valuable phosphate rock, and so the British Empire will not be short for many and many a day of this fertilizer. British enterprise is opening up the phosphate fields of Nauru, worked under German jurisdiction before the war. At present every German element has been eliminated.

Since the occupation of the island, in 1914, the Administrator, Mr. G. B. W. Smith Rowe, an Imperial officer of long Pacific Islands' experience, has accomplished much for the advance of trade and the care of the natives. He has built a splendid hospital for the natives and from being a wretched, sickly, dying race they are now coming back to the old vigour for which they were famous prior to the German administration. They have been diverted from their idle ways, the villages cleaned up and improved. The Nauruans are a handsome, intelligent race, and like all Central Pacific people are divided into two classes, the high caste, or chief families, and the common people, or slaves. Marriage between the two is sternly forbidden. The Nauru women are accounted the best figured and handsomest in the whole Pacific. The people are noted for their pleasant manners, one reason why the island used to be called "Pleasant," a name very often seen on out of date maps. The sport of the natives is the capturing and taming of frigate birds, sleepy creatures by no means brilliant of plumage. Trained as decoys to entice wild birds to the traps and roosts, they show a cuteness which is very remarkable. They seem to know what is expected of them, and in mid air will entice and even bully untamed birds to be captured. The phosphate industry, as carried on by the British, stands supreme in the tropics. The comfort of the employees is maintained in a liberal manner. Every employee, single as well as married, is allotted a spacious bungalow free, electric light, free laundry, free ice, and the daily distribution of fresh food. Social work is carried on by an Entertainment Committee; there are theatres and picture shows, and outdoor sports, such as cricket and tennis, on excellent grounds. Libraries, recreation, and billiard room are free to the employees. Under British administration Nauru should be one of the great commercial assets of the British Empire.—*The Morning Post.*

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## BUYING A HORSE.

## THE SCIENCE AT BARNET FAIR.

There is far more in buying a horse than might be supposed. Such is the opinion of a *Daily Chronicle* representative who visited Barnet Fair recently.

The preliminary stages are easy enough. You make your way to Barnet up the Great North Road, and past merry, little groups, which have deserted their decorated wagonettes at each of the quaintly-named hostilities—the Bald-Faced Stag and the Swan with Two Necks.

With money in your purse, you push by the frivolous pleasure fair which stands in sloping fields on one side of the road, and make your way along a lane until you reach an even steeper field on the other side. Here are the horses, well mingled with cheapjacks and refreshment booths.

It is easy to work your way to one of the roughly-made corrals where the horses, mostly hackneys this year, are rubbing noses and kicking their heels. It is comparatively easy to pick out from the bunch of bronzed and waistcoated gentlemen who are contemplating the particular gentleman who is interested in each. Even the most verdant of greenhorns would guess that it is good business to look at any but the horse you really have in your mind when the bronzed gentleman comes and talks confidentially to you about horses in general and his own in particular.

There follows the putting of the horses through their paces.

With a tremendous explosion of shouts and cracking of whips, a flurry of whisks and shaking of paper flags, a selected horse or two is dragged away from the bunch and jerked up and down by an energetic ostler. After an hour or two at this game, the horses are terribly bored, and it takes enough noise to scare a streetful of ordinary horses before one at Barnet will condescend to frisk even a little.

Great is the excitement amongst the breakfasters, pure and simple, who line the hedges, sandwiches in hand and bottle by the side, when their meal is scattered by a horse, which has at last been induced to give a little colour to its owner's description of a beast of mighty spirit. So far all is simple. But who buys the horses? The *Daily Chronicle* representative witnessed hundreds of transactions which reached this stage and ended with the return of the horse to

his place on the rope, well content that all that foolishness was over for the moment.

It is obvious that more than words go to the buying of a horse. There must be some freemasonry which is not understood by the outsider. For the same horse, which was returned to the rope after a prospective buyer had shown so plainly that he had no sort of interest in such a spavined, broken-winded, Rosinante, would be seen later in his charge, being led down the Great North-road with every sign of pride of ownership.

The war has left its mark on Barnet Fair. Knowing ones did not need to look for a brand to identify a good bargain among the ex-Army horses. By their hook-clipped manes they were known, and they were chosen for their beautiful manners.

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Early in the day the horses were the things. Later the pleasure fair filled up. All the old favourites were there, the merry-go-rounds, the slippery slides, the coconut shies, and the hoop-la. But the cost of playing has gone up just as has the cost of living, and one now spends 3d. on a ride in place of the pre-war penny.

"Fairings," the crisp rolls of brandysnap, cost Londoners who wanted to do the thing properly yesterday 8d. a quarter, while some of the rainbow-tinted Barnet Rock had risen to as much as 10d. for a quarter of a lb.

The crop of strikes and rumours of strikes in Shanghai continues to flourish. At a meeting of 1,500 house painters in the native city a demand was made for a 40 per cent increase on their present wage of 200 cash per day. The matter is undecided. The makers of brass footwarmers in Nantao have asked for a one cent increase in their pay for each completed article. The masters offer six cash. On Sunday afternoon some of the strikers went round intimidating those who remained at work, threatening them with daggers. Several artists were made. The brass-smiths, and zinc-workers, also went on strike. Those who were receiving 15 or 18 cents a day are now to have 20 for three days' work, and the apprentices will get 20 cents a day.

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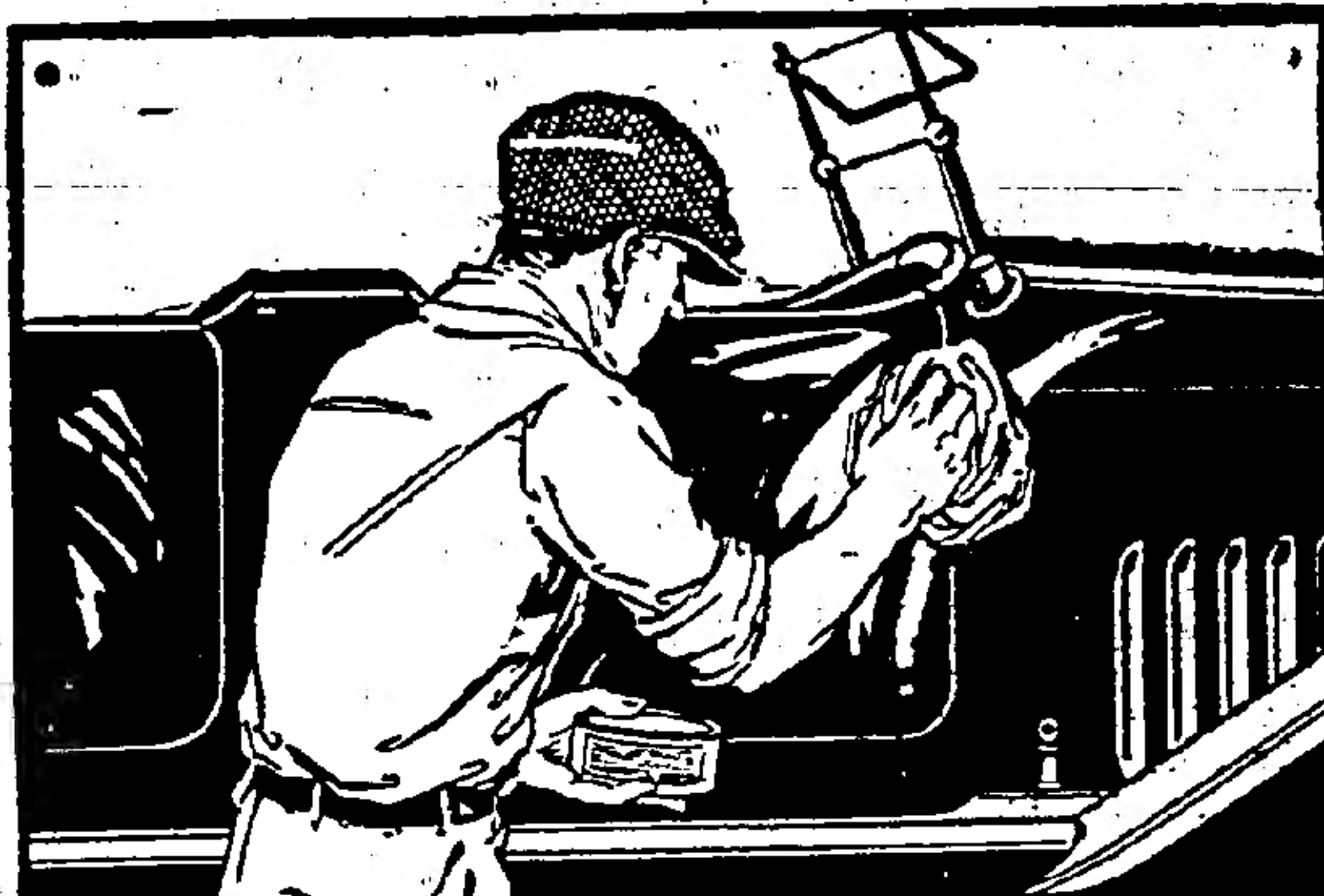
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the hill, is haunted by the spirits  
of the past, by the soul of  
Caedmon and the devout soul  
of St. Hilda; and the fashioning  
of jet tells, too, of ancient times  
and toils. The ancients called  
jet gargates and black amber, and  
they used to say that if mixed  
with the marrow of a stag—  
a strange notion—it healed a ser-  
pent's bite.

"Yes," said my informant,  
proud of local lore. "John Carill  
was in trade here as 'jet-worker'  
in 1598; but it is only about a  
hundred years ago since the  
demand for jet ornaments for  
personal wear became intense."

"Cruel, at first, were the tools,  
but skill and pride of craft soon  
provided beauty in workmanship.  
I wish, by the way, we had more  
of that sense of joy in fine crafts-  
manship to-day. Just as the old  
builders of this abbey of ours on  
the hill strove to make it a joy  
for ever, so the 'jet-workers'  
wrought in miniature the best  
they knew."

"Queen Victoria introduced  
into the Court the wearing of jet,  
and as by magic she brought  
prosperity to Whitby. The great  
war, with all its shadows and sor-  
rows, has found in jet a seemingly  
emblem of grief, and we are get-  
ting orders from every part of the  
world. What, after all, can be  
more gracefully symbolic than a  
ornament, fashioned here in this  
old town, the cradle of English  
history in more than one sense!"

"I delight to be a townsman  
and craftsman of Whitby, and to  
have part in sending exquisite  
ornaments of jet the world over  
binding many climes together, as  
it were, by a rosary of burnished  
black."

"We need to-day as many  
skilled men as we can get for the  
work. Wages are high, and there  
is about the task something of  
poetry and creativeness. It's a  
right down good trade. I can tell  
you. Some of us are suggesting  
to the town technical instruction  
committee that classes ought to  
be formed so that our youth may  
inherit the love of the art of jet-  
making."

Strange, thought I, how present  
sorrow revives an ancient craft  
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## CIVIL AIRSHIPS.

A BRIGHT FUTURE  
PREDICTED.

A meeting of those interested  
in commercial aircraft was held  
at Australia House yesterday,  
to discuss with representatives of  
the Air Ministry the disposal of  
Government airships, which has  
already been announced.

Major-General Seely, Under  
Secretary for Air, who presided,  
said that when the political  
situation had cleared, say in a  
month's time, the Admiralty  
would be able to give a definite  
reply as to the number of airships  
and aerodromes it would require  
in case of emergency.

The Air Ministry and the  
Admiralty would then offer  
existing machines and those in  
various stages of construction to  
those who would undertake the  
formation of a commercial air  
scheme. The assistance would  
include the use of wireless sta-  
tions. In the case of any sound  
scheme, airships would be sold at  
a very cheap rate. Business people  
would also have the advantage of  
sheds and trained personnel.

The future of such a scheme,  
said General Seely, was boundless,  
and he was sure that if they went  
into it in a business-like manner,  
they would retain the supremacy  
in the air which they had gained  
during the war. It would be wise  
for the Government to allow firms  
to build any class of airship which  
might be deemed useful for com-  
mercial service, because any ship  
would be more useful to the  
Government in hostile circum-  
stances than no ship at all.

REASON FOR URGENCY.  
It was urgent, on political  
grounds, that the scheme should  
be launched as soon as possible.

Sir Trevor Dawson (Vickers  
and Co.) pronounced his blessing  
on the scheme in view of the  
promise of Government support,  
and suggested the formation of a  
committee of the best financial  
representatives, who would be  
likely to take an interest in the  
concern, to discuss details.

Sir Lionel Fletcher, Mr. Holt  
Thomas, Mr. Short (of the Bedford  
Aviation Co.), Sir Glynn West  
(Armstrong and Whitworth), and  
others expressed approval of the  
scheme, and it was decided to  
form the committee suggested to  
meet General Seely, General  
Sykes (Controller-General of  
Civil Aviation), General Mait-  
land, of R34 fame, and other  
officials of the Air Ministry to  
discuss details.

General Seely said he had had  
the assurance of Lord Inverforth  
that red tape would not be allowed  
to hamper the negotiations in  
connection with the scheme. The  
matter, he said, was too impor-  
tant to brook delay. He was quite  
sure they would make the airship  
service of great good to the State,  
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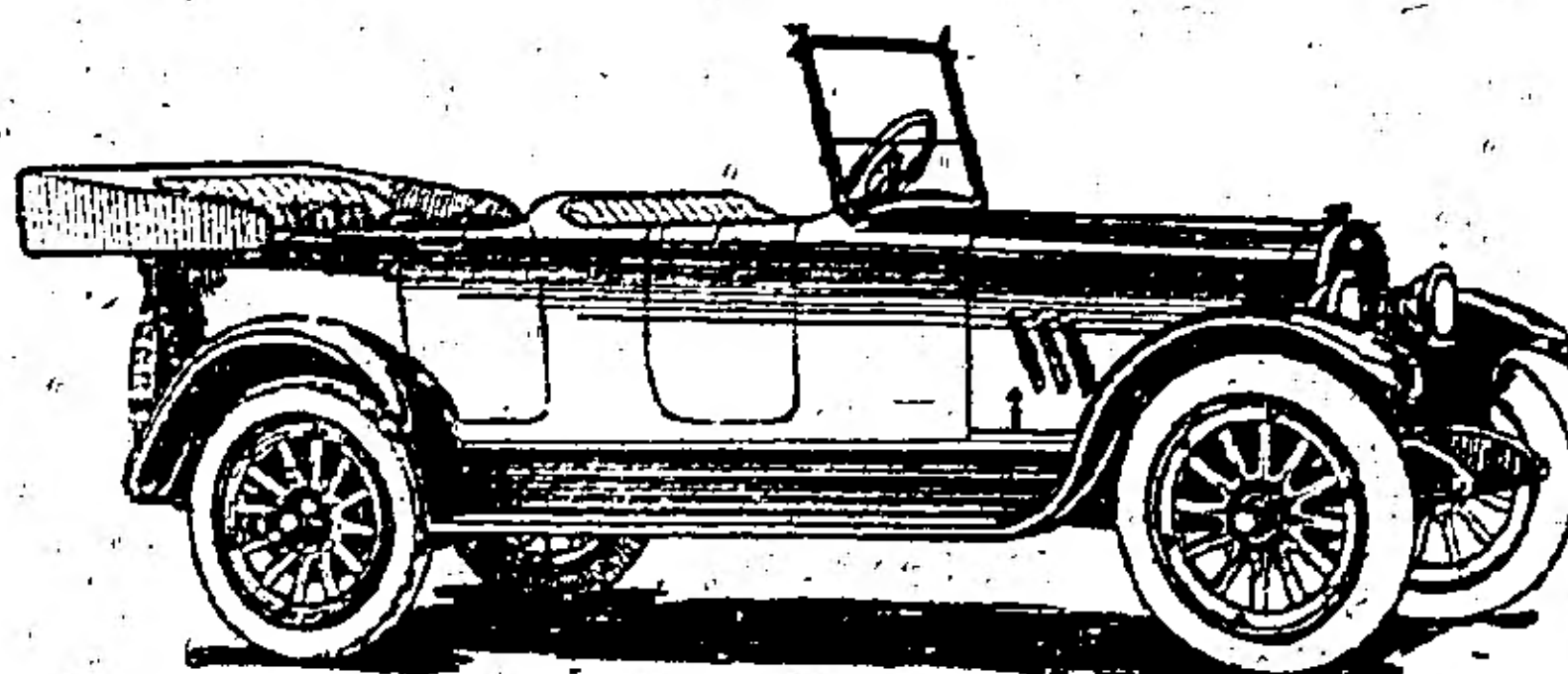
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## GENERAL NEWS.

### SEAT OF AN ANCIENT KINGDOM.

The Earl of Powys has just  
sold his Mathrafel Estate  
(Montgomeryshire) to the tenants.  
Included are the earthwork re-  
mains of the Royal Castle of  
Mathrafel, the seat of government  
of the ancient kingdom of Powys  
from the eighth to the twelfth  
century. The old castle has been  
a familiar theme for song and  
story by the Welsh bards, and it  
inspired Southey's lines, "Math-  
rafel's lord, the poet-prince."

### MEASURING THE TEMPERATURE OF LEAVES.

Miss Edith B. Shreve has de-  
vised very sensitive electrical ap-  
paratus for measuring the surface  
temperature of leaves and has  
been making measurements in  
the desert and mountains near  
Tucson, Ariz., and the Santa  
Lucia Mountains in California.  
She reports that the most out-  
standing result of these measure-  
ments is the rapidity with  
which the surface temperature of  
a leaf growing in the open may  
fluctuate. Changes of from one  
to three degrees C. are observed  
within from 20 to 60 seconds. If  
a moderately strong wind is blow-  
ing the change may amount to  
five degrees in 30 seconds.  
Changes in atmospheric condi-  
tions are without doubt the cause  
of these fluctuations.

### 39 YEARS BURIED.

A robbery which took place 39  
years ago at Easthamstead  
Mansion, near Wokingham, the  
residence of the then Dowager  
Marchioness of Downshire, had  
a remarkable sequel recently.  
Among the articles stolen  
was a gold clock, which  
was never recovered. Recently  
a forester noticed a spike pro-  
truding from the earth by the  
side of the stump of a felled tree  
in the woods near the mansion,  
upon his touching it an electric  
alarm sounded, much to his  
amazement. Eventually he un-  
earthed the long lost timepiece,  
soiled but intact, together with  
some photograph frames in  
filigree work. A local watch-  
maker has since identified the  
clock, and is cleaning it, which  
will not be a difficult matter.

### WOMEN DEMAND REPRESENTATION.

Representatives of women's  
organisations in conference re-  
cently at Caxton Hall passed  
resolutions urging upon the  
Government the just demand for  
representation of women in the  
Assembly of Delegates, in the  
International Court of Justice,  
and in all Commissions and other  
bodies set up in connection with  
the League of Nations. Miss  
Mary MacArthur, of the  
Standing Joint Committee  
of Women's Organisations,  
strongly contended that no one  
should be appointed to any  
office simply because she was a  
woman, but, on the other hand,  
she should not be excluded for  
the same reason. The Countess  
of Selborne, of the National  
Council of Women, maintained  
that the whole of the woman-  
hood of the country should be  
consulted, and not only those  
connected with organisations, for  
if the latter only were consulted  
they would be in danger of being  
represented by cranks. She  
would like to see the representa-  
tion of the normal women of the  
country, the wives and mothers,  
of whom there were many who  
would be more fit to represent  
them than many organised  
women.

### GRIM STORY OF JUSTICE.

A British officer who has  
recently returned from North  
Russia tells a grim story  
of the vengeance exacted by  
the British authorities upon  
three Bolshevik murderers. Last  
Christmas Day the body of a  
British officer was found shot,  
and frozen stiff, in a ditch at  
Murmansk. After lengthy in-  
quiries, three suspected men were  
tracked to a certain wooden  
barrack near the railway terminus.  
A surprise search of the building  
was made, and a thorough  
examination revealed skillfully  
hidden behind a concealed parti-  
tion which had to be torn down,  
a small revolver and some  
cartridges, the calibre of which  
corresponded to the bullet ex-  
tracted from the dead officer.  
The three men were immediately  
arrested, and all confessed their  
guilt. Court-martial held  
upon them declared them guilty  
and condemned them to be  
shot. The actual execution, which  
took place on a bare hill above  
the cemetery shortly after dawn,  
was carried out by a joint British  
and Russian firing party, by the  
light of electric torches. Three  
volleys were fired, and the bodies  
were subsequently buried in  
graves which had to be blasted  
out of the frozen ground by a de-  
tachment of sappers.

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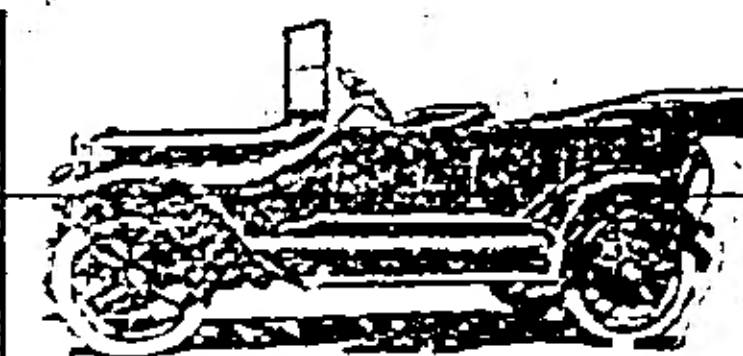
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## BIRTH.

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## DEATH.

STEWART.—October 25th, Samuel Herbert, infant son of the Rev. A.D. and Mrs. Stewart.

# The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1919.

## ANTIQUATED BUDGET METHODS.

Yesterday was a regular field-day for local orators, as the appearance of the *Telegraph*, with over two pages of speeches delivered in the Legislative Council, strikingly indicated to the public. There was uninterrupted speechifying for almost exactly two hours. Nine speeches were delivered in all, five of which were Official utterances. So even in the realm of oratory, the Official Majority asserted itself again! Almost every conceivable subject was talked about, from hawker's licences to the League of Nations, and the end of it all was that the Government's Budget proposals were agreed to without an adverse vote, whereafter the members, realising that the tiffin hour was past, left over the rest of the business for consideration to-day. For the benefit of those who have not had the time or inclination to wade through the lengthy speeches, let it be explained that concurrence in the Government proposals did not mean an absence of criticism. Far from it. Some of the Unofficial utterances were decidedly biting in character, and the Government were taken to task both for sins of omission and of commission. The official replies were not too convincing, neither did they cover in an adequate manner all the points raised. That is not to be marvelled at, for the Unofficials (with the exception of Mr. Shewan) had had the advantage of preparing their speeches, whereas the Government spokesmen had to face the music and answer their critics there and then.

This brings us to the question upon which we wish to pen a few words—the procedure followed by our Legislative Council in dealing with the Budget, concerning which His Excellency the Governor has confessed his surprise. We shall have other opportunities of commenting on the various subjects discussed. The plea has before been made from Unofficial quarters that the estimates for Public Works, upon which such a large proportion of the Colony's revenue is now spent, should be first of all considered by the Public Works Committee, enlarged for the purpose by appointing all the Unofficial Councilors to it. The request was reiterated yesterday and we are glad to note, was sympathetically received by the Government. That is all right so far as Public Works go, but what we should like to see is a reform in the method of giving consideration to the whole Budget. We will explain, for the benefit of our readers, the line now followed. The estimates of revenue and expenditure are drawn up in official quarters, and on being submitted to the Legislative Council for the first time they are explained by H.E. the Governor in the annual Budget speech. Then the Council adjourns for a couple of weeks so that the proposals may be digested by the Unofficial members, who a fortnight later deliver themselves of their views, to which the Government Heads reply more or less thoroughly and, without further ado, the Council votes on the Bill. The flaw in the method is that whilst the Unofficials are given a fortnight in which to make up their minds what they think about the Budget, the officials have to answer the points raised, however important, on the spur of the moment; there is no opportunity given for studied consideration of the Unofficial viewpoint; and, without any consultation between the Governor and Heads of Departments, the Council has to vote on the Bill right away. Supposing the position were reversed, and the Unofficials were required to reply to the Budget speech immediately, it were delivered; it would not be quite fair, would it? The present procedure is just as indefensible. We say that it is utterly impossible for the Officials thoroughly to absorb all that the critics say and adequately to answer them at the one sitting. We might just as well expect the Imperial Parliament to pass the second and third readings of the Budget at one sitting of the House of Commons.

The point raised is one of the utmost public importance, since the practice now observed must mean that the opinions of the Unofficials are not given anything like the consideration which is their due. This may or may not suit the Government, but it does not suit the public. One thing we were particularly glad to note, was that His Excellency thinks the Hongkong system a bad one. He has been accustomed in Ceylon to the Budget being examined by a Committee before coming to the Council. That is a better method than is followed here, and, incidentally, ought to cut out much of the laboured speeches which mark the consideration of the Budget in Hongkong. It fits in with His Excellency's ideas, which rather implies that our new Governor is a believer in thoroughness and in close co-operation between Officials and Unofficials. Our present system is antiquated and defective. It makes a mockery of the Budget debate. So we hope that it will be thrown on the scrap heap before long.

## NOTES & COMMENTS.

### A PERNICIOUS SUGGESTION.

In an otherwise thoughtful speech, the Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr gave expression yesterday to one idea that strikes us as being as pernicious as anything possibly could be. It was in reference to the Defence Corps. Having agreed that the disbandment and re-organisation of the Corps were desirable, he went on to say:—"It would also be a move in the right direction if employers would insert a clause in agreements that young men coming out from Home to their service are expected to join the local Defence Corps." If that is a serious contention of Mr. Parr's we frankly say that it is the most amazing and deleterious we have yet heard in connection with local defence. For anyone, when engaging a man for civil employment, to express an expectancy that the employee should join the Defence Corps would be a piece of rank impertinence, would be perpetuating the very militarism that the past war was supposed to be against, and would be an interference with men's liberties that would very soon cause trouble. We hardly think that Mr. Parr seriously thought out the import of what he said. In opposition we will place what we know to be the popular demand—that the Ordinance constituting the Defence Corps be at once repealed and that there be provision made for a Volunteer Corps on lines similar to those before the war, with every man free to join or not, just as he wishes.

### NOTHING COERCIVE.

We want nothing coercive or conscriptive—all that sort of thing should have been put behind with the war. If it has not been, then we should like to know what good the war has done. The promise of H. E. Major-General Ventris to consider the matter of the Defence Corps when the new regiment arrives is reassuring, but nothing less than the complete reversal of the compulsory status will satisfy. The idea of local defence, especially seeing how isolated Hongkong is, is obviously good, but it is essential that any citizen defence service has to be voluntary. If to retain and guard Hongkong is going to cost the sacrifice of civilian freedom within it, then better would it be for us all to pack up and go home, for the value of liberty is something that cannot be reckoned in intrinsic wealth. We have chosen to speak as plainly as this because we want to let people who think like Mr. Parr know that not only has there to be no conscription for local defence, but no coercive suggestions either. Men have to be absolutely free to choose. That's Liberty, and that's what we all want.

### THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

We referred editorially a little while ago to the fact that the establishment of the League of Nations was not nearly so easy a thing as some people are prone to think, and some recent telegrams contain very striking proof of this in one very important respect. It is the question of whether the great self-governing dominions of the British Empire shall be separately entitled to representation and vote in the Council of the League or whether the British Empire as a whole is to be restricted to one vote. The question is one of the greatest importance but will be by no means easy of decision. Seeing that the Colonies played in the war they very naturally take unto themselves the right of being considered separate and independent countries, although still part of a great British Commonwealth. It is quite natural, on the other hand, that other countries should seek to make the whole British Empire as one vote, fearing a swamping of their own proposals. The position constitutes a very case in point of what we previously pointed out, and demonstrates that to this League of Nations idea there has to be brought a complete frankness, a spirit more of give than of take, and a totally new atmosphere of trust and toleration. Otherwise, as can be very clearly seen, a League of Nations will prove to be just so much talk and nothing else.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—Mr. Li Sui Kuan, \$100; Mr. Lo Cheuk Wan, \$100; Mr. Wong In Tang, \$50; Messrs. Wo Cheung, \$50; Mr. Yee Ho, \$50; Mr. Chey Yai, \$50.

## DAY BY DAY.

### TACT IS GOLDEN—NOT SILENCE.

Yesterday's health return shows one fatal case of diphtheria, the victim being a Chinese.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending 18th October, amounted to 82,145 tons and the sales during the period to 83,047 tons.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Harman left on Home leave yesterday. Mr. Harman, who is in the Chinese Maritime Customs, has not been Home for well over twenty years.

The Pacific Mail S.S. Co., is in receipt of cabled advice from its Manila Office to the effect that the s.s. "Columbia" sailed from that port yesterday at noon, and that she will arrive at this port on Saturday, November 1st, at 5 p.m.

The Japanese flag is much in evidence to-day, which is the birthday of the Emperor. The Japanese Consulate-General will be closed throughout the day, and in honour of the Emperor Mr. E. Suzuki, the Consul-General, will be at home at the Hongkong Hotel from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

A Trade Inquiry List issued by the American Consulate General, Hongkong, shows that American concerns are seeking Hongkong connections as listed below:—Duplicators; automobile accessories; import and export; automobile and cycle accessories; steel, metals, chemicals, food products, etc.; raw cotton; feed and rattle; electrical toys and appliances.

At the Police Court to-day, a Chinese was charged, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, with stealing a Japanese dog, belonging to Mr. Kynoch of Kowloon. Defendant said he bought the dog from a coolie for \$3.50. Sergeant Moore stated that the dog was found in a bird shop, and the shop-keeper pointed the defendant out as the man who sold it to him. Mr. Lindsell sentenced the defendant to six weeks' hard labour.

Under the auspices of the Ministering Children's League, "Chin Chin, Hongkong" is to be staged at the Theatre Royal to-morrow night. This specially-written attraction is being put on by the Prize Packets and leading amateurs, and is under the patronage of H. E. the Governor, Major General Ventris, Sir Wm. Rees Davies, Commodore Gurner, and Hon. Mr. Claud Severn. C.M.G. Booking is at Moutrie's.

## PORTUGUESE FINED.

### FOR ASSAULTING CHINESE "BOY."

At the Police Court to-day, a Portuguese named H. Pereira was charged, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, with assaulting a Chinese "boy." Defendant stated that, while he was away at work, his fiancée was sewing some clothing. She had some eyes that day, and she told the "boy" to boil some eggs, to rub on her eyes. Complainant went and got the eggs, but when he brought them to her they were cold, so his fiancée started to scold him. The complainant turned to his fiancée, and told her not to scold him, as no one in the house did so except her. He also used some language which he ought not to have done. On returning home, his uncle told defendant all about the affair. Defendant went up to complainant and asked him what reason he had for using bad language to his fiancée. He was pointing his finger at him, when complainant hit his hand away. So he lost his temper and struck the complainant.

Mr. Lindsell:—Apparently complainant had the worst of it, as he has had some of his teeth knocked out.

Defendant:—Yes, your Worship.

Mr. Lindsell:—I want you to pay him \$10 as compensation.

Defendant:—Your worship, if I had not struck him as I did, I would have been in hospital to-day. The complainant picked up an iron weight to throw at me and I only struck him in self-defence.

## THE METEORITE.

### BY "ROBT. MACWHIRTER."

Aye, there's something about a Sunday that's funny—no' funny in an English sense, but curious, aye, that's the word. I believe if I woke up beside the Grand Llama of Tibet, I should know it was Sunday by—well, I just don't exactly know how—but I would know all the same. I believe it's smell. There's a something about the smell of a Sunday that I never make a mistake about, no matter how muddled my head felt the night before. As a boy I always coupled Sunday with the smell of black-striped peppermint balls, sheep's head broth, musty Bibles and decayed air. A Sunday smell is a smell all its own and even after all the years I've been in Hongkong that same odour takes me back to the strict Sabbatarian days of my boyhood. Another thing I aye associate Sunday with is sitting. Man, the weary hours I've sat on the first of the week. There was never two guesses about what bit of my Sunday suit wore out first. If it wasna' sitting in the parlour with a "good" book in your hand, rebellion in your heart and an itch in your feet. And no' a chapp out o' your head or it was "ile" and packed off to bed, chop chop. Man, they were terrible, yon days. And yet when I think of it, habit's hard to kill. I suppose it's heredity, for even now I canna' bear to hear the Macpherson weans clattering about the house on a Sabbath, like's they were at a fairing and off the leash till midnight. And yet there's something restful about the Macpherson's house on a Sunday; that is, if it wasna' for the sitting. Aye, no doubt about it, we live in a sitting age. Some thousands of years ago, we went calling on all fours. Gradually as time went on, through family squabbles mostly, we had to stand up on our hind legs so as to have greater scope to swing our arms about. Once we got the knack of steering around in an upright position, it was easy, for then both paws were free to poke, feed and pay bills wi'. But nowadays we've got back to the sitting position again and, only use our feet for the cultivation of corns and the castigation of recalcitrant chair coolies. A man sent out here on a five years' engagement can always count on spending three of them in a sitting posture; in a ricksha, chair or a club. Aye, we mostly sit all day. Sit in the evening at the pictures or when exercising the eyes at 50-cent poker. Sunday is a solid day of sit. By the process of evolution we'll soon be able to navigate on the seat of our—

"Aye, what was that you said Mac?" "What about a daunter to stretch our legs a bit?" says he.

"Right Oh, old bean," says I. I don't know what it means, but I heard an officer, and a grown man at that, come out wi' that in the car one day so I thought I'd try it out on Mac. I suppose the allotments at Home gave rise to a lot of them agricultural expressions. But Mac he never let on, so off we went as he said, to stretch our legs. Mine could stand a bit of drawing out, though I've my doubts about nature stretching a point at my time o' life, but of course in Mac's case, it was only a figure of speech, for as you know, he's just like three yards o' pump water as it is. Onyhow, as I was saying, off we went and left Mrs. Mac to see to the supper, and take in the hen's meat.

"Robbie," says he, after we'd got down the road a bit, "I didna' want to mention it before, but what do you think o' yon Address of Welcome Committee charging me \$7.30?"

"What for," I asked. "I didna' notice any bar at the City Hall. Where did the money all go to?" "The Lord only knows, but every jing bang o' us has to stump up," says he.

"Does that include everything?"

"Aye, even to the shroffs' commission for collecting the money."

"Well," says I, "what did ye expect onyhow? Maybe ye thought the Government should 'ha' paid it?" Ye see Mac," says I, "ye canna' be a prominent citizen on the cheap. And serves ye right too. Ye were among the first to yowl about the original committee being a hole and corner affair. Oh, aye, we must have a public meeting and have a representative committee elected. Well, ye got to stand up to it now, ye see."

pay for the honour of wearing your frock coat and a tile hat on a week day. Maybe ye thought the expensess should have been collected by public subscription eh?"

"But, my goodness, Robbie, as ye say yourself, we never even got a drink for our money."

"That may be, Mac, but don't forget that ye were introduced to the Governor and shook hands wi' a K.C.M.G. That's surely worth \$7.30 is't no'?"

"But I never heard the like," teetered he; "what happened in former years?"

"Oh," says I, "as like as no' Chater just signed a cheque for the whole shooting match and wrote it off as a bad debt but this time I dinna' blame him for only paying his whack. Folks that will have public meetings maun be prepared to put their hands in their pocket you know."

But Mac only glowered and kept sucking the sweet end of a long grass. It was that damned Constitutional Reform Association that was at the bottom of it, he remarked.

"Aye, true for you Mac and here's hoping they'll stay at the bottom. That reminds me, have you paid your yearly subscription, yet?"

"No," says he. "Dinna' talk so soft. Ye know as well as I do that I'm going home in the Spring."

I never was a good hand at descriptive stuff but man, the Peak's fine at this time o' year.... There's some folks can rave and write reams about the Spring, but for my part I've got to like the back-end of the year best. Kind o' sad, aye, but just in keeping wi' oor time o' life, I think. Onyhow, as I was saying, the stars were shining fine, which brought me in mind o' one o' my sisters when we were young, looking into the pantry, and then running into the kitchen to Mother and telling her what a fine starry night it was and maybe it would mean skating on the morn. I can mind Mother was at a loss for a minute or two, for it was raining heavens hard at the time, so she tell't the wee rin no' to blather but say her verse and get to bed. But faith she wasna' to be done and persisted in her story, so Father, patient old soul that he was, took her ben the kitchen to get at the bottom of the mystery. Wi' that the wee rin perked up, opened the pantry door and proudly pointed to a string o' herring, the phosphorous of which, shining in the dark, had deluded her!

Mac's a great hand wi' the stars, as the well-thumbed pages on Astronomy in his Encycl. Brit. can testify. What troubles him most, he declares, is that they keep moving about. To try and tell him that it's this old planet that does the moving has been fruitful for many an argument. I mind once o' trying to clinch a long talk on the subject by quoting a bit out of Thomas Paine's "Age of Reason" but when he heard the name of the book, man, he jumped clean out o' his chair as if he's sat on the business end of a tack and declared it his firm intention to sever his connection wi' the MacWhirters for ever more if I persisted in reading that damnable stuff. Mac, like a lot more, thinks that Paine was an atheist, yet such is the irony of it that according to his own declaration, he wrote it to testify his belief in a God.

To be happy in old age it is necessary that we accustom ourselves to objects that, can accompany the mind all the way through life, and that we take the rest as good in their day. The mere man of pleasure is miserable in old age, and the mere drudge in business is but little better; whereas natural philosophy, mathematical and mechanical sciences, are a continual source of tranquil pleasure, and in spite of the gloomy dogma of priests and of superstition, the study of these things is the study of the true theology; it teaches man to know and to admire the Creator, for the principles of science are in the creation, are unchangeable and of divine origin.

Now that I've got ye to scan that last paragraph let me tell ye that ye hanna' been reading MacWhirter but Thomas Paine, and it is his concluding remarks on the character of that witty, amorous, dissolute, and in turn, melancholy debauchee—Solomon—the son of David. Even if what Paine says is untrue, it doesna' sound atheistical to me onyhow.

Well, let that be as it may. As I was saying, we were dauntering along fine and dandy when Mac pointed out a falling star and we got to wondering where abouts them things fell. Ye

my part I think they fall clear of the earth altogether but Mac opined different, naturally. That last one, says he, just landed this side of D'Agular. Of course, mind ye, he hadna' his specs on at the time so it wadna' be just exactly fair to misjudge the man, but all same I couldna' help but remark to myself that the failure wi' his Volunteer distance judging practices wasna' altogether a matter for surprise. He must have used instinct instead of his eyes and being short-sighted, in more ways than one, what could ye expect? Meteorites, said he, were quite common. No, he had never saw one but his uncle once knew a man whose wife's brother had once heard a man say that he'd lived beside a man whose cousin's husband had once seen one in a museum on the Continent. Say that again Mac, says I, that description sounds more like the genealogy of David than anything I ever heard, and by the same token ye'd believe the Bible from cover to cover and yet insist on Thomas Paine being put in the Chamber of Horrors just because he made a shot at straightening out a tangle by substituting reason for blind faith.

Mac, says I, if that's the kind of evidence ye would accept as to the existence of meteorites then all I can say is that I wouldna' like to be in the prisoner's dock and have you forment me wearing a wig and a judicial frown. Mind ye, I don't for a moment doubt their existence. All that I say is that I never was in the vicinity when one fell, nor did I ever hear of anyone being struck wi' one.

"Man," says he, "dinna' baver. We're all liable to get what's coming to us and we never know the minute....." Wi' that Mac let one yell out of his head and I heard something bounce off the small of his back, hit a tree and then run down the gutter. For ab' at three shakes of a lamb's tail Mac hadna' a word to say, and then wi' his eyes nearly lying out on his cheeks, he gasped, "Lord, Robbie, what was that?"

"Search me," says I, "a meteorite, as like as like as no'." "It's a judgment," says he. "Well you should be the best judge," says I, "you felt it. But let's look for it layway." Wi' that we set on down the road, Mac's teeth chattering the while to beat the band and all the Hieland superstition in him coming to the boil. About ten yards further on we came on the object.

"It's white," says Mac from a respectable distance. "Aye," says I, "a white heat as like as no'." Take care how ye handle it, Robbie," says he. "I'm no' going to touch it," says I firmly. "This is a case for the police. I've heard that the Crown has a claim on things like this. Besides, a coolie was pinched for lifting Government ammunition up here the other day." But Mac never let on. "This'll be something for the Museum," says he. "Aye," says I. "Discovered by Malcolm Macpherson, Esq., The Peak, Hongkong," will look fine printed in old English type on nice wee white card stuck on the outside of the case. Be careful o' your fingers Mac," says I when I saw he was making for to lift it. "I'll chance it," says he. Wi' that Mac tickled it wi' his index finger like's it was a hedgehog. "It's dead cold but most awful round," says he wrapping it up in his hankie. "Man, I believe it's still warm," says he when we got opposite the first lamp. "Let's see it onyway," says I making a grab at it. "No, fair hornie," says he. "I found it first," and wi' that Mac uncovered the meteorite, and found that it was a golf ball. "Well, I'll—," says he. "Nothing surer," says I, but ye don't want to make a song and dance about it all the same. Throw it away and let's get back for our supper." "No fear," says he. "I'll come in handy for a nest egg. Our hens are a bit shy at the laying the now onyway." That's him all over.

Now what's troubling me is the thought of just where that golfball came from at that time of night. If it came from Happy Valley it would mean a terrible swipe and as Mac said a devil of a slice along wi' it, which was the truest thing he'd said all day. I watched the papers on the Monday and apart from the Golf Final at Fanling the only golfing I could see was some match the Machine Gunners had gotten up the day before. Now that I think of it there was no mention of where that match took place. Surely no, it's beyond me altogether, though mind ye, I wouldna' put it past them. Onyhow, Mac's had lumbago for the last three days and Mrs. Macpherson is quite unwell, so I never knew it to come on so soon.



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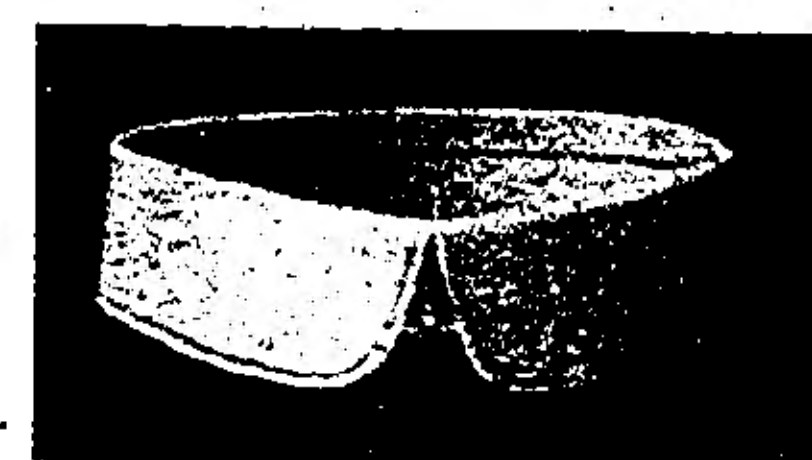
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Merchantmen of over 1,000 tons gross launched during August in Japan numbered seven, aggregating 23,060 tons gross. The launchings in the month show a decrease of 12 below the number launched in August, 1918. Vessels built in Japan from January to August number 87, totalling 267,821 tons, a decrease of 40 in number when compared with launchings for the corresponding period of last year but an increase of 35,738 tons notwithstanding.

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Greenock has shared in the prosperity which the war brought to ports and harbour undertakings generally. Another successful year has just been completed by the Harbour Trust. The annual statement of accounts shows that after meeting all expenses of maintenance and paying the interest on A and B preference and deferred stocks, there is a credit of £16,550 19s. 3d. This is a record for the port of Greenock, and the Trustees and officials are to be congratulated on the result of the year's work.

## MAURETANIA'S COAL BILL.

The Liverpool correspondent of the *Daily Mail* has obtained some official figures of the cost to shipping companies engaged in the Transatlantic trade arising from the increase in the price of coal. The giant Cunarder Mauretania has 192 furnaces, which "eat" something like 1,000 tons of coal per day during a voyage across the Atlantic. The total coal put on board for a single trip is approximately 6,600 tons, which at 6s. a ton increase works out at £1,980. "Roughly," said a Cunard official, "the cost of tending the Mauretania from here to New York will be an additional £2,000." The White Star liner Adriatic burns about 3,000 tons on the outward voyage, and the additional expense incurred will be £900. The inward trips are not affected, as American coal is consumed.

## NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Shanghai District—Yangtze River.—Referring to Special Notice to Mariners No. 547, notice is now given that the following Buoys marking the lower (southern) end of the Tungchow Channel, Yangtze River, have been moved so as to mark to the new direction of that channel:—The Corner Buoy has been moved and is now moored in 30 feet of water. From the Buoy, Plover Point Beacon bears S. 1° W., distant 1.54 miles, its characteristics remaining unchanged. This Buoy, as heretofore, marks the eastern side of the southern entrance to the Tungchow Channel. The Bend Buoy has been moved and is now moored in 30 feet of water. From the Buoy, Plover Point Beacon bears S. 22° E., distant 3.87 miles, its characteristics remaining unchanged. This Buoy, as heretofore, marks the eastern side of the lower end of the Tungchow Channel. All bearings given are magnetic, and depths are those of low water of extraordinary spring tides.

## BAN THE BLOCKADE.

The Blue Funnel steamer Keemun which arrived here recently was perhaps the only ship from Liverpool which managed to clear from that port for the Far East during the dock strike, which held up all the shipping of that port in the early part of last August. The manner in which she ran the blockade was simple. On the appointed day of sailing the ship was lying snug in the Birkenhead docks and no-one, least of all the strikers, imagined that she was going to sail that day; they had reckoned without the resourcefulness of her owners. The sun hardly tipped the main yard when the Keemun's crew joined the ship and later the master and officers. The police were also on hand in force to prevent trouble with the strikers. Soon the lines had been cast off and the Keemun moved slowly to the outer line of docks, then she steamed into the river, past the New Brighton pier and away towards the distant horizon, causing astonishment to arise in the hearts of many spectators. There was no need for excitement though she had merely successfully run the blockade and got away.

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SHANGHAI via S'ow, Ningpo	Hangsang	Sun., 2nd Nov. at d'light.
MANILA	Yuensang	Fri., 7th Nov. at 3 p.m.
KOBE	Kwaisang	Tues., 11th Nov. at d'light.
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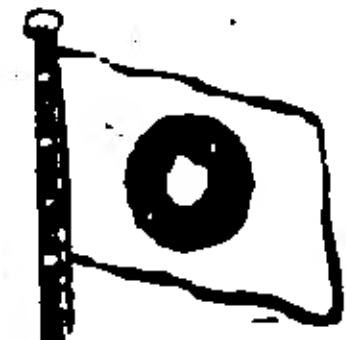
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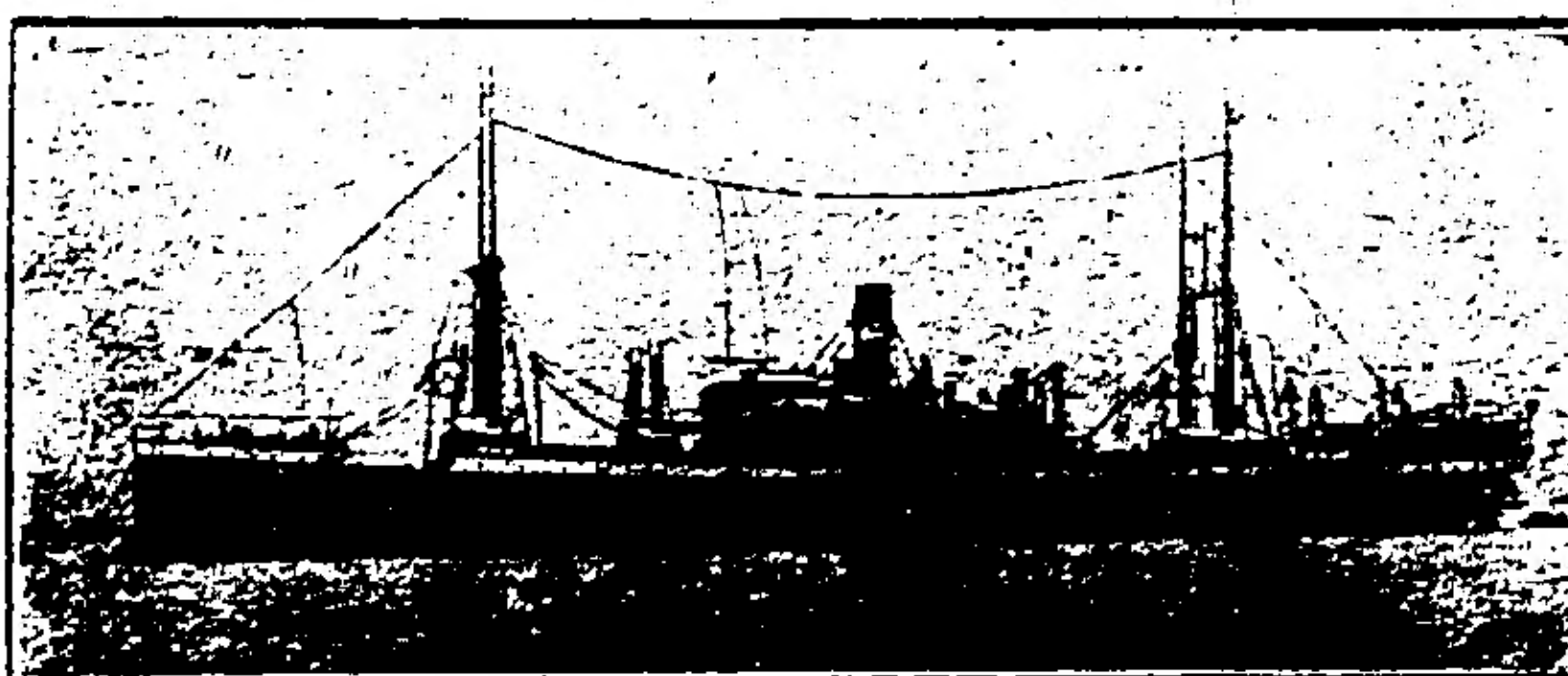
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DOCK NO. 3	100'	20'	8'	50'	50'	50'
DOCK NO. 4	80'	15'	6'	40'	40'	40'
DOCK NO. 5	60'	10'	4'	30'	30'	30'
DOCK NO. 6	40'	8'	3'	20'	20'	20'
DOCK NO. 7	30'	6'	2'	15'	15'	15'
DOCK NO. 8	20'	4'	1'	10'	10'	10'
DOCK NO. 9	15'	3'	1'	8'	8'	8'
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## KOWLOON NOTES.

The K.C.C. "A" XI will play Queen's College on the former's ground, in a "friendly" on Saturday afternoon next.

K.C.C. first XI will play a "friendly" with Craigengower, on the latter's ground on Saturday.

The qualifying round for the "Thomson Cup" was played by the members of the Golf section of the K.C.C. last Sunday. Those who returned qualifying cards were Jacks (78) Parkes (79) Dixon (78) Gray (91) Elson (84) MacDonald (86) Hyde (88) and Pile (99).

The annual children's sports at the K. C. C. will be held as usual, next year, on January 2nd.

There will be an extraordinary general meeting of the K. C. C. on Wednesday, November 5, when the matter of a new club house will be discussed and also one or two minor amendments to rules.

During the past week the scene in the vicinity of the European employees' quarters of the Kowloon Docks has been such as to bring back memories of the "May Term" in the Highland homeland. Indeed, so realistic was the scene that it only required the hay carts to complete the picture. As it was, a very good substitute for the latter was forthcoming in the shape of coolies carrying matting, rope, bamboos etc. etc.

The reason for all this was that the fortunate Europeans, who work for a firm that realises the vital importance of making the private existence of its servants cheerful and free from the worries of house shortage and other bugbears, were moving into their new quarters.

As will be remembered, the Chairman of the Kowloon Dock Company referred to the provision of new quarters in a suitable district for the European staff, at the last annual general meeting. These quarters have been completed and "Jock" is now master of his ain castle, far frae the tackety sounds of reeve drivers.

The Scotsman in the East (with few exceptions), develops strong philanthropic tendencies and his hospitality is unbounded. In the case under notice, Jock adheres to his eastern-gained traditions, and invites all and sundry to make use of the fine bathing beach, which has been arranged adjacent to the new quarters, whether fellow worker or not, "provided they behave themselves."

Kowloon has now its "motor scooterist". We would remind the gentleman that although he is the proud owner of what appears to be a somewhat expensive toy, if he "scoots" up Nathan Road at about "thirty miles per hour," he should abide by the traffic regulations and keep on the left side of the road.

Apologies to the above, a reader suggests that the Government might get over the difficulty of expensive transport services for Kowloon by providing each resident with one of these motor scooters! We pass on the suggestion for what it is worth.

We learn that those bird eating "fish" have arrived at last and are now basking in the sunshine on the verandah of the K.C.C. Club House, pending provision of more suitable quarters. We might mention that these "fish" have four legs apiece—two on each side.

With regard to these two what unfamiliar specimens in the animal world, the following information, which we are to give through the courtesy of a local naturalist, may be of interest to those concerned.—The fish is classified amongst amphibians and is commonly known as "Great Salamander of China Japan" and belongs to the and toad family. The technical classification is as follows:—

Class of animal, Amphibian Order, Urodela; Family, Amphiumidae; Species, (actual name) *Megalobatrachus Varimurus*. It is the fact that these amphibians climb trees and feed on birds' eggs.

A specimen of the animal was first taken to Europe in 1829 and it lived until 1881, i.e. 52 years. The largest specimen ever caught measured five feet, three inches.

We trust the above information will be sufficient to decide the bet.

In any case, the gentlemen under whose tender care these two specimens will no doubt thrive, now know what they are "in for." According to the above information they may reckon that their services will be required for about 50 years and at the end of that time they will be the keepers of a couple of gigantic lizards, each measuring about five feet.

That being so, we would advise the demolition of the present tank and the reconstruction of a new one about twenty times the size and a yearly contract with some firm for the supply of eggs.

We have ourselves, on occasions, played golf over miniature courses but have found that the restricted driving, approaching and other shots rather get on one's nerves and the natural tendency is to get somewhere where one can take a good full swing at a tee'd ball. This was the case with four Kowloon gentlemen, last Sunday, who, after a fine day's sport in a friend's back garden where a small course had been laid out, relieved their pent up feelings by turning a spot in the vicinity of Magazine Gap into a tee. We understand that there were some phenomenally lengthy drives and also that a certain Sergeant made an excellent bunker.

"Vexatus" writes us as follows:—"As a Kowloon resident, I feel in duty bound to send you a few lines of thanks for your 'Weekly Notes' which, I feel sure, have done wonders in bringing before the Authorities concerned, several of the nuisances and annoyances that we have had to contend with on the Peninsula, and I must congratulate you upon bringing about the greatly improved conditions of the management of the rickshas at the Star Ferry, for I feel sure that same is due to the publicity you gave to the disgraceful conditions prevailing until quite recently."

The correspondent goes on:—"May I bring to your notice, the frightful din and noise that residents in the neighbourhood of Nathan Road are subject to night after night? I refer to the Chinese 'music' which is allowed to be played in Haiphong Road. To my mind, and I feel sure that to other British people that have to put up with this nightly nuisance, the noise is a positive disgrace and should be stopped by the Police. Surely if the Chinese want to make their infernal din there are plenty of places in Chinese quarters away from European houses where they could carry on. I don't know if the Police have power to stop this objectionable noise, and if they haven't, it is high time that same was given. We have to pay through the nose to be allowed to 'live' in this Colony; surely we might be allowed to reside in peace and quietness, and be assured of quiet homes for our dependants, to enable them to get the necessary sleep to ensure their good health. Thanking you to kindly give this publicity with a view of having a stop put to this unnecessary row, and trusting that in the fullness of time we may be able to retire to our hard earned rest in comfort. P. S.—I ask you, Mr. Editor, would such a noise be tolerated outside the residence of the D.S.P.? No, certainly not. Then why should other Britishers be annoyed?"

We hope to deal with this subject in next week's Notes.

## POLICE RESERVE.

PRESENTATION TO MRS. GERRARD.

Last evening, at the King Edward Hotel, on behalf of the Police Reserve, Mr. B. Eustace presented Mrs. Gerrard, wife of Police Inspector Gerrard, with a suitably inscribed silver box and a draft for £23 10s. as a token of her association with the Police Reserve, as secretary and in appreciation of her efficient work in that capacity.

Mr. Eustace said Mrs. Gerrard had performed her duties regularly, satisfactorily and ungrudgingly. It was a great pity that Mrs. Gerrard had not been provided with a uniform. (Laughter). As an Inspector he had been much associated with her and had found her a most willing worker and her work deserved tangible appreciation. On behalf of the Police Reserve he had much pleasure in asking Mrs. Gerrard to accept the presents which he hoped, would recall many happy memories to her. Mrs. Gerrard was leaving the Colony shortly for a holiday and he wished her a very pleasant time.

On behalf of his wife, Inspector Gerrard thanked Mr. Eustace for the magnificent presents which his wife would treasure. He was proud that his wife had been acting secretary to the Police Reserve. She was the first woman in the Colony to have occupied such a position and he was glad to say that his wife took a keen interest in the work.

In proposing the health of Mrs. Gerrard, which was enthusiastically honoured, Mr. Mow Fung made special reference to the strenuous work of Mrs. Gerrard and her untiring efforts in discharging her duties. He was sure he was voicing the sentiments of members of the Police Reserve when he said that Mrs. Gerrard was held in high esteem by all. He concluded his remarks by wishing Mrs. Gerrard health, happiness and prosperity.

## CRICKET.

C.R.C. v. H.K.C.C.

The following will represent the C.R.C. in the above match on the Club ground to-morrow at 2.15 p.m.:—Ng Sze Kwong (Captain), Yew Man Tsun, Un Hew Fan, Wei Lee Son, M. P. Shin, Chow Man Ping, H. Ching, G. Lee, Way Kwok Kwong, James Wong and Yew Man Hon.

We learn that the Rev. Mr. J. S. Harrington, who has been officiating at St. Andrew's Church since the departure of the Rev. A. T. Woodman Dowding, has been compelled to leave the Colony at short notice to fulfil his engagements with the Bishop of Montreal. Mr. Harrington briefly announced his impending departure from the pulpit of St. Andrew's, a few Sundays ago, but the circumstances in connection with his leaving Hongkong were not generally known at that time.

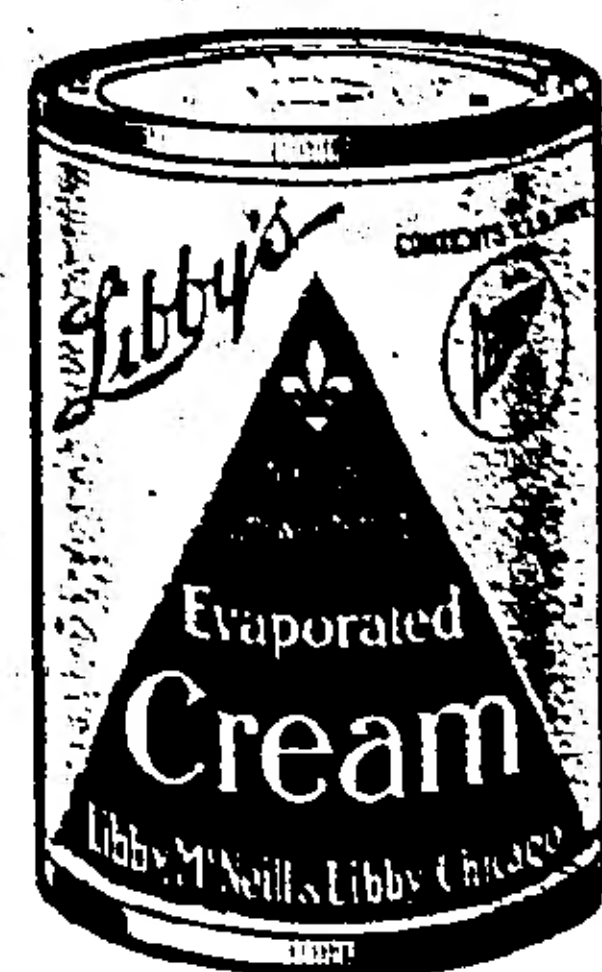
It may interest Kowloon Churchgoers to learn that the Bishop of Montreal allowed the Rev. Mr. Harrington to take up the position he has been holding at St. Stephen's College, to relieve the pressure of work due to the depletion of the Staff caused by men leaving for military service. These members of the Staff of St. Stephen's have now returned and since the services of Mr. Harrington are urgently required in Montreal, his early departure has become a necessity.

The Rev. Mr. Armitage, well known to Kowloonites, accompanies the Rev. Mr. Harrington.

In the meantime, the Rev. Mr. C. B. Shann will, with the permission of the Very Rev. Archdeacon Barnett, officiate at St. Andrew's, pending the arrival of the Rev. Mr. Lindsay who is expected to take up his duties as permanent Chaplain, in December next.

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## NOTICE.

## CANTON KOWLOON RAILWAY.

Tenders for the supply of Liquors and Refreshments at the Terminal Stations at Tai Sha Tau and Kowloon and on all Trains on the above Railway.

It is hereby notified that sealed Tenders which should be clearly marked "Tender for the sale of Refreshments and Liquors on the Canton Kowloon Railway" will be received at the Head Office of the British Section at Kowloon, and at the Office of the Managing Director at Tai Sha Tau until noon of Saturday November 8th.

Forms of Tender and full particulars may be obtained at the Head Office of the British Section at Kowloon or the Head Office of the Chinese Section at Tai Sha Tau.

The Railway does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

H. P. WINSLOW,  
Manager,  
British Section.

WEN TEH CHANG,  
Managing Director,  
Chinese Section.

## NOTICE.

## NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

Mrs. T. A. Cordeiro has this day removed from No. 169 Wanchai Road, to No. 4, Aimal Villas Kowloon.

Hongkong, 28th October, 1919.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

MONDAY, the 3rd Nov. 1919.

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All persons with certain exceptions who remain in the Colony for more than 7 days are required to Register themselves under the REGISTRATION OF PERSONS ORDINANCE 1916. Forms of Registration giving the particulars required may be obtained at the G. P. O. and at all Police Stations.

The Penalty for non-compliance is a fine not exceeding \$50.

E. D. C. WOLFE,

C. S. P.

Hongkong, 5th September 1919.

## NOTICE.

## HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

The 5th GYMKHANA MEETING of the Season will be held at Happy Valley on Saturday, the 1st November commencing at 2.45 p.m.

The Charge of Admission will be \$1.00 for others than Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club or Gymkhana Club.

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## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

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## NOTICE.

## UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Society will be held at the registered office of the Society, Nos. 3 and 4 Queen's Building, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong on Friday, the seventh day of November 1919 at 12 o'clock Noon, when the subjoined Resolutions will be proposed:—

1. That the fusion of the interests of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited, (in this and the following Resolutions referred to as "the Society") and the North China Insurance Company Limited (in this and the following Resolutions referred to as "the Company") be approved of and agreed to on the basis following:—

(a) That shares of the Society of the nominal value of £10 each whereof £4 per share shall be credited as paid up be allotted to the shareholders of the Company in exchange for the shares of the Company in the ratio of one and half shares of the Society for each one share of the Company.

(b) That the Society in addition make payment to the shareholders in the Company of the sum of £5. (Five pounds) Sterling in cash for each one share in the Company held by such shareholders exchanging their shares in manner and upon the basis mentioned in clause (a) above.

2. That for the purpose of carrying into effect Resolution No. 1 (a) above, the Society do issue 15,000 Shares of the nominal value of £10 each (whereof the sum of £4 per share is credited as paid up) out of its unissued capital of 104,000 shares.

3. That the 15,000 shares referred to in Resolution No. 2 above as and when issued do rank for dividend and in all respects pari passu with the existing Ordinary shares of the Society and that the balance (if any) of such 15,000 shares be dealt with in such manner as the Board of Directors of the Society shall think most beneficial to the Society.

Dated this Twenty-Fifth day of October 1919.

C. H. P. HAY,

Deputy General Manager.

## NOTICE.

## KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB.

An Extra Ordinary Meeting of members will be held in the Club house on Wednesday November 5th at 6 p.m.

Business.—As per notice posted in the Club house.

By Order of the Committee

L. J. BLACKBURN,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 29th October, 1919.

## NOTICE.

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Members are reminded of the Half Yearly Meeting called for on Saturday the 1st November at 12.30 p.m. at the Offices of the Jockey Club, on the Ground Floor of the Hongkong Club Annex, Chater Road.

By Order,

G. W. GEGG,

Acting Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 17th October, 1919.

## NOTICE.

## A. S. WATSON &amp; CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of A. S. Watson & Co. Limited, will be held at the Hongkong Hotel on the 5th day of November, 1919, at Noon, when the subjoined resolution, which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 20th day of October, 1919, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution.

That the New Articles already approved by this Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be and the same are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
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Hongkong, 21st October 1919.

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## FOOTBALL.

## H.K.F.C. v. SOUTH CHINA ATHLETIC.

The following will represent the Hongkong Club in their opening League game with South China Athletic on the Club ground, on Saturday, 1st November, kick-off at 4.30 p.m.:—G. Rodger, J. Mac Cubbin and F. Black; Mac Phail, J. Stewart and M. L. Railton; Meredith, B. Pasco, D. Reichelmann, H. M. Mc Tavish (Capt.) and J. Rodger. Reserve:—E. Riis.

U.F.C. v. ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE (R).

The following players are representing the United Football Club in the Second Division match against the St. Joseph's College (R.) on Saturday:—A. N. Other; A. G. Marshall and E. Mason; C. S. Rossett, A. E. Simmons (Capt.) and C. H. Blake; G. Millar, J. Leonard, Reserves:—W. Ramsay, W. Mason.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE v. THE NAVY.

The following will represent St. Joseph's College in their first League match against the Navy on the Navy ground at 4.30 p.m. sharp on Saturday:—E. Souza, P. Xavier, W. Ogley, M. H. Abbas, E. Dixon, D. Urquhart, R. M. Omar, Goldenberg, B. R. Hyndman, J. Silva, and L. Xavier.

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### ENTERPRISE OF HONG- KONG MERCHANTS.

Messrs. Nemaze and Co. have just concluded arrangements for the purchase of three Australian boats which they are going to operate on the Coast run. These boats are the Morita, Allinga and Rupara. They could not be sold during the war, and it was only recently that the Australian Government permitted the sale of Australian tonnage.

Arrangements for the purchase of these ships were concluded a few weeks ago, and European and Chinese crews have already been sent to fetch the ships from the Antipodes. The purchase price works out at £27 per ton, approximately.

The Allinga was built in 1897 at Greenock by Scott's, and has a gross tonnage of 2,242 tons and a net tonnage of 1,406 tons. She has passenger accommodation for 55 first-class and 204 steerage passengers. There are four holds, their cubic capacity being 113,260 feet each. Her average speed is 8 1/2 to 6 knots, and the cubic capacity of her bunkers 13,557 cubic feet. She was purchased by Messrs. Nemaze for £45,000.

The s.s. Rupara's price is £36,000, delivery at Sydney. She is of a gross tonnage of 1,368 tons and a net of 791 tons. The length is 250 feet by 36 feet by 15 feet. She has three masts, 11 feet, 3 in. by 10 feet, 20 feet by 10 feet, and 20 feet by 15 feet. Passenger accommodation is for 82 first and 26 second class passengers. Her speed is 11 to 11 1/2 knots, and she is equipped with twin triple expansion engines, multitubular boilers, three holds, six derricks, and six winches. The capacity of her bunkers is 7,360 cubic feet, her deadweight being 1,215 tons, including bunkers.

The s.s. Morita is a single screw vessel, purchased by Messrs. Nemaze for £36,000. She was built by Messrs. D. and N. Henderson of Glasgow in 1911 and her gross tonnage is 1,848 tons, with a net capacity of 976 tons. She has a speed of from ten to eleven knots. The following are further details:—Deadweight 1,420 tons including bunkers; cargo measurement, 63,739 cubic feet; capacity of bunkers, 171 tons; length, 240 feet by 49 feet by 16 feet; boilers, multitubular with a nominal horse-power of 212 and a pressure of 120 lbs.; six derricks and six winches; passenger accommodation, 96 first-class and 38 second-class; water ballast 468 tons; draft loaded, 15 feet 3 inches.

### CORRESPONDENCE.

(To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

### MACAO LEADS HONGKONG.

Sir,—Macao has now six hydroplanes and that enterprising resident, Capt. Ricou, will shortly place them on the Macao-Timor service.

It's high time some of our mercantile marine went in for aeronautics, but then I suppose a few of them would cry to the public for more and more parachutes, not lifebelts.

Yours etc.

ENGINE-DRIVER.

Hongkong, Oct. 31, 1919.

### VANITY FAIR.

Nothing more than a reminder is necessary that the final performance of "Vanity Fair" takes place to-night. A special bill has been prepared which will include many of the most popular numbers which have been staged during the season and there will also be some fresh ones that have

## DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Theatre Royal.—Vanity Fair.  
 Sixth Edition—9.15 p.m.  
 Coronet Theatre—5.15 and 9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Gymkhana at Happy Valley.  
 Theatre Royal.—M. C. L. entertainment—9.15 p.m.  
 Coronet Theatre—5.15 and 9.15 p.m.  
 Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

### FAREWELL CONCERT.

A farewell concert given by the members of the Naval Dockyard R.C. was held in the Dockyard on Thursday evening, the occasion being the presentation of souvenirs to Messrs. A. C. Rodney, Foreman of the Yard, Perkins and Bower. The meeting was presided over by Mr. E. C. Kennett, Constructor, who was assisted by Mr. Athol A. Anderson, Officer in Charge of Works. A very pleasing musical programme was given with much enthusiasm by a crowded audience, each item being vigorously applauded.

The first part of the programme included solos, duets and comic items, the contributors being Messrs. W. E. Crocker, E. T. Crocker, E. Hennessy, Cawsey, Brock and A. B. Allan.

At the interval, the Chairman presented the various souvenirs to the three recipients and wished them every success in their new spheres of action. He thanked the two officers of his Department leaving, for the assistance they had given him in the past and asked them to accept the souvenirs as a mark of the regard which the members of the Club held them in for their friendly associations of the last few years.

Mr. Anderson, supporting the Chairman's remarks, spoke in very eulogistic terms of Messrs. Rodney, Perkins and Bowers, particularly with regard to the invaluable services they had rendered the Recreation Club, which, from a state of insolvency, had now emerged into a very flourishing concern, there being now no comparison with the financial state of the Club and its condition when the three members now leaving started their efforts for its success. He particularly congratulated Mr. Rodney, who in virtue of his official position in the Yard must have found his social duties of a most sacrificing and arduous nature.

The three recipients suitably responded remarking their pleasure at going home was mixed with regrets at leaving so many friends.

The second part of the programme was also musical, varied with some very clever sleight-of-hand tricks and card juggling by the versatile amateur Mr. A. B. Allan and a strong recitation by Mr. Prickett, both items being warmly received.

The evening was brought to a very successful close with "The King" and "Auld Lang Syne." Mr. Longyear was the pianist, and the arrangements of the concert etc. were in the hands of Messrs. Bearn, Cawsey, Brock and E. T. Crocker, the programmes being the design of Mr. Bearn.

not yet been done. A large and enthusiastic audience is assured to bid goodbye to Edgar Warwick's clever aggregation of talent, and if there are any who have not yet spent an evening with "Vanity Fair" they are strongly urged to do so ere it is too late. The plan is at Moutrie's. Last night's show was greatly enjoyed by a most appreciative audience.

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All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on November, 3rd at 10 a.m. and November, 4th at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within a month of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns and all goods remaining undelivered after November, 4th will be subject to rent.

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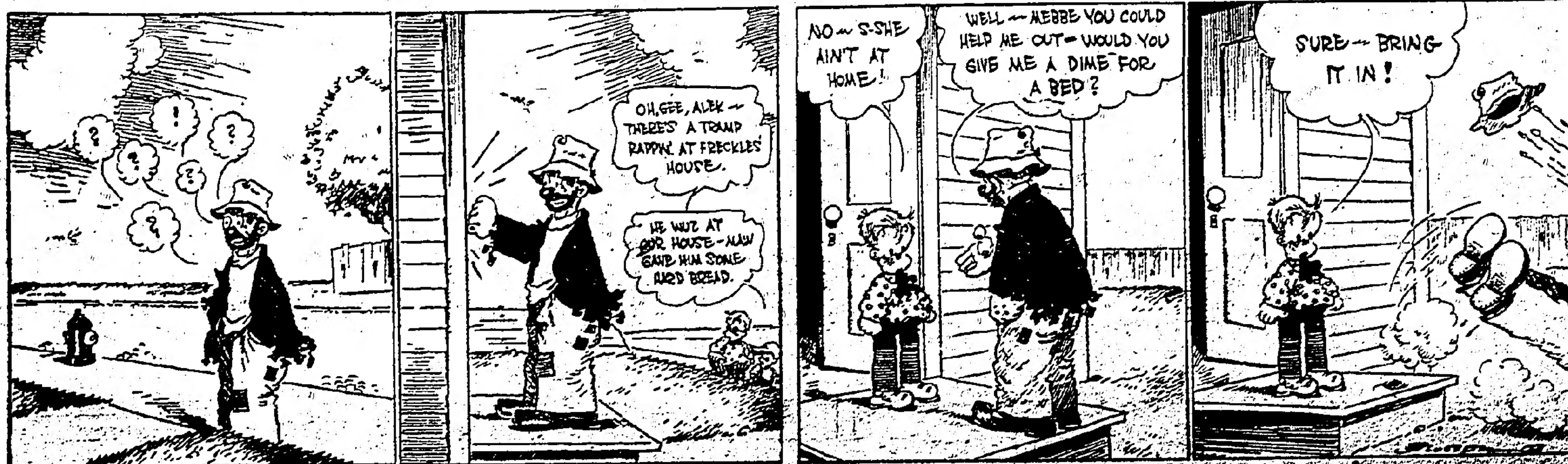
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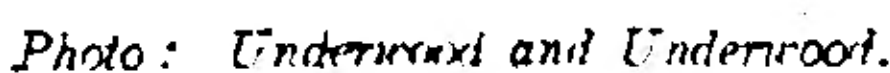
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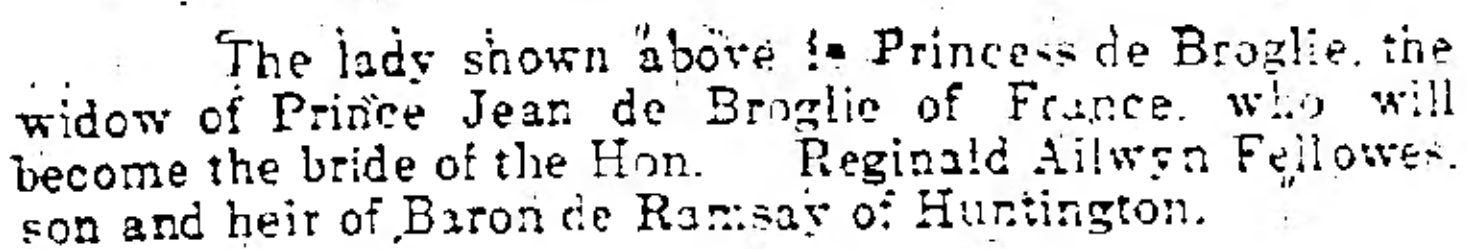
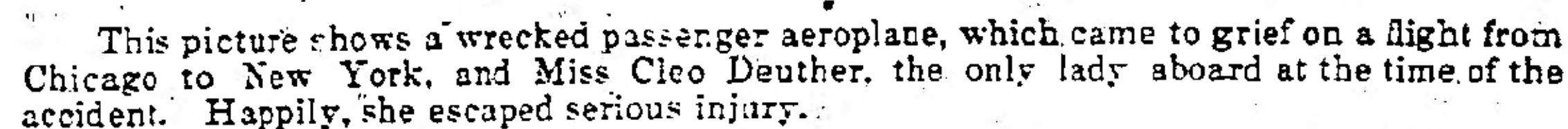
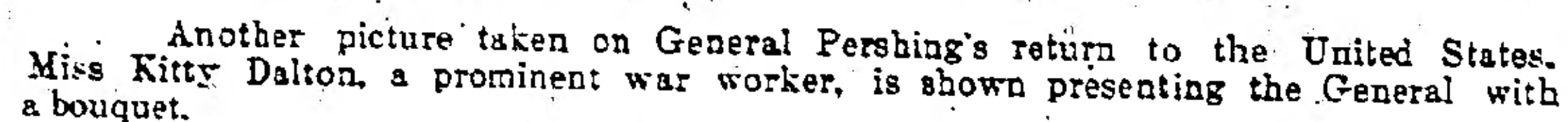
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Major-General Ironside (British Army). Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Expeditionary forces in Northern Russia, recently inspecting a detachment under his command at Archangel.



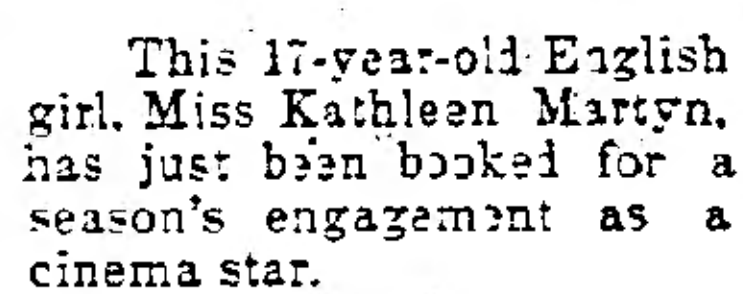
GARBED "REVOLUTION-  
ARIES" STOP FILM.

A wages dispute, which lasted an hour, and had a distinctly amusing side, occurred at Southampton recently. The Stoll Film Company (Limited) were engaged in the production of a cinematograph film based on Baroness Orczy's novel "The Elusive Pimpernel," using as a background some of the ancient nocks and crannies adjoining the old walls of the city.

A "crowd" several hundreds strong had been engaged, and, attired in picturesque costumes and uniforms of the period of the French Revolution, had been rehearsing and posing for the operator, much to the entertainment of large numbers of local inhabitants. A scene was being enacted in which a party of cocked-hatted soldiers marches in among a gathering of peasants, typically revolutionary in their dress, forces them back while a proclamation is read, and then proceeds to arrest suspects.

It had been done twice without very much animation, and the producer was coaxing some of the reluctant "supers" when suddenly the revolutionaries were seen to be acting very strangely. While the soldiers were by no means doing what was expected of them, and handled their arms carelessly. A gentleman in a foxglove and cocked hat, haranguing the "revolutionaries" who stood on the "sides" and soldiers alike, disapproved of his sentiments was quite apparent. A hitch somewhere. The effect was brilliant, but not lifelike than it had been.

It came to be in the end that the



things easily in the sunshine and mingled with sympathetic South-ampstonians in twentieth-century garb, explaining their grievances. Representatives of the Labour Exchange appeared on the scene, and their side of the matter was adjusted, while the producers handsomely met the disappointment of the shortened engagement by an addition of half-a-crown to the day's wages. The "crowd" expressed their satisfaction, and the "Revolution" proceeded.

TO SAVE ITS SOVEREIGNTY.

Nearly forty prominent men at Home have presented the following address on the subject of Turkish Sovereignty in Asia Minor and Thrace to Mr. Lloyd George:—

We are reluctant to add to your many preoccupations at the present time, but, in view of the momentous interests involved, we think it our duty to put before you as clearly as we can the feelings which Mahomedans all over the Empire entertain for Turkey, and to warn you of the great danger of disregarding those sentiments. We fear that you have not had adequately presented to you the indignation and resentment with which Mahomedans hear of proposals to drive the Turk out of Europe; to deprive him of his capital, and to divide Asia Minor among the Allies. We believe that those parts of Turkey cannot be put under alien rule without sowing the seeds of grave peril to the Empire. It is this consideration which compels us to sound before it is too late a most serious note of warning.

All Moslems of the Empire have an intense sympathy and affection for the Sultan of Turkey. This feeling is no doubt partly religious, because a considerable majority of them consider him the Caliph or Successor of the Prophet, and believe that he in that capacity is the spiritual head of their Faith. But the feeling of sympathy with Turkey is shared by those Mahomedans who do not acknowledge the spiritual authority of the Sultan, and it is because attachment to Turkey is so widespread among all the sects of Mahomedanism that we think it deserves your special attention.

There is, to put the case very briefly, a certain community of feeling throughout the Islamic peoples. They feel themselves to be heirs of a common civilisation, to have certain customs and ideals in common, and to be in fact a social entity. They have for Islam

a quasi-patriotic devotion "and they are filled with horror at the idea that it should altogether disappear as an effective force in temporal matters. The Turkish Empire is now the only survivor of those numerous Mahomedan kingdoms which once stretched in a continuous chain from China to the Atlantic: Mahomedan sympathy has been concentrated upon that empire as the last representative of the temporal power of their people. If Turkey disappears from the map the last independent kingdom left to the Mahomedans will have gone and they will look upon its downfall as symbolic of the downfall of Islam.

England is a great Asiatic power and her policy must for that reason take account of one of the strongest sentiments in Asia, viz. attachment to Islam. We recognise unreservedly that our own principles must at times compel us to take action which will be highly unpopular with the Mahomedan masses. We fully realise that it will be necessary to free the Armenians from Turkish misrule and to give scope for Arab aspirations, but on the other hand we urge that British policy should not be deflected by extreme religious or ethical views in this country or be led by natural indignation at the excesses of Mahomedans to pursue a course which will give to a great community just reason for resentment.

Our policy should be one that can be defended upon the principles to which we have ourselves appealed during the war, and to which—educated—Mahomedans must assent. These principles will be violated if countries such as Thrace and Asia Minor which are preponderantly Turkish are put under European domination. This will not only be a grave injustice, but a great political blunder. These countries, placed against their will under alien rule, will become a centre of disturbances as troublesome to the peace of Asia as the Balkans have been to the peace of Europe. Every riot in the bazaars at Smyrna, every collision at Konia between the Turkish population and a European gendarme, will start a wave of angry unrest in Moslem countries which will eventually break upon a British frontier, either Indian or Egyptian. As an Asiatic Power we want the good will of the Mahomedans; by the destruction of Turkish sovereignty in those countries we should inevitably forfeit it.

We feel a particular concern with regard to India. The loss of Mahomedan confidence in British justice would be a disaster. The Mahomedans are the most compact and vile community in India; hitherto they have formed a moderate party favourable, on the whole, to the British connection and to the

present form of government. In spite of their sympathy for the Turk they have remained staunchly loyal to their allegiance throughout the war. Mahomedan soldiers fought for us in Mesopotamia and Palestine. According to the tenets of their Faith, it was their clear duty so to do, but none the less it placed a strain upon their loyalty, which it would be ungenerous to ignore.

We believe that not only the soldiers, but the whole Mahomedan community in India, were much relieved and encouraged by your speech of January 5, 1918, in which you declared: "We are not fighting to deprive Turkey of its capital or of the rich and renowned lands of Asia Minor and Thrace, which are predominantly Turkish in race." This declaration is now widely known in India, and there is little probability of its being forgotten. If you are unable to persuade the Powers at the Peace Conference to fulfil the pledge then given, we fear that the Mahomedans will consider it a breach of faith for which they will hold England responsible. No Indian administrator can contemplate this possibility with equanimity. Either we have had a reputation for good faith in India which has been one of the most valuable assets of the Empire. We cannot hope to retain it if we fail to keep our word upon a subject like this.

BY ALLMAN.





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5.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. Every 15 min. to 11.45 p.m.

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5.30 " " 7.30 " "	" " "

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## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From CALCUTTA, PENANG  
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## THE Steamship

"NAMSANG."

having arrived from the above

Ports Consignees of cargo by her

are hereby informed that all

goods are being landed at their

risk into the hazardous and/or

extra hazardous Godowns of the

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf

and Godown Company, Limited,

whence, and/or from the wharves,

delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 4th

November, 1919 will be subject to

rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged

packages are to be left in the

Godowns where they will be

examined. Claims against the

steamer must be presented within

10 days of arrival otherwise they

will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be

effected by us in any case what-

soever.

Bills of Lading will be counter-

signed by—

JARDINE, MATHESON

& CO., LTD.

General Managers.

Hongkong, 29th October, 1919.

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DE CHINE  
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Authorized Capital ... \$60,000,000.00

Paid-up Capital ... \$13,790,800.00

Reserve Funds ... \$2,197,400.00

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4 per cent per annum.

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Kan Tong Po,  
Chief Manager.

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T/T	43 1/16
Demand	43 11/16
30 d/s	43 13/16
60 d/s	43 15/16
4 m/s	46 1/16
T/T Shanghai	Nom.
T/T Singapore	190
T/T Japan	185
T/T India	223 1/2
Demand, India	223 1/2
T/T San Francisco	93 1/4
T/T Java	236
T/T Marks	Nom.
T/T France	8 08
Demand, Paris	—

## BUYING.

4 m/s. L/C	47
4 m/s. D/P	47 1/4
6 m/s. L/C	47 3/4
30 d/s. Sydney and Melbourne	47 1/2
30 d/s. San Francisco & New York	94 3/4
4 m/s. Marks	Nom.
4 m/s. France	8.32
6 m/s. France	8.40
Demand, Germany	—
Demand, New York	93 3/4
T/T Bombay	223 1/2
Demand, Bombay	—
T/T Calcutta	223 1/2
Demand, Calcutta	—
Demand, Manila	194 1/2
Demand, Singapore	190
On Haiphong	Nom.
On Saigon	Nom.
On Bangkok	Nom.
Sovereign	4.45 Nom.
Gold leaf per Tael	32
Bar Silver per oz forward	—

## SUBSIDIARY COINS.

DISCOUNT PER \$100:	
H'kong 50 cts pieces \$1 per m. dis.	
" 10 " " \$1 " pm	
" 5 " " \$22 " pm	
C. coins	18% pm.

## CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES  
CHINA MAIL S. S. CO. LTD.  
From SAN FRANCISCO  
HONOLULU, YOKOHAMA  
& SHANGHAI.

The Steamship  
"NANKING"  
having arrived, from the above mentioned ports, Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that all the goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd. and stored at Consignee's risk.  
Goods not cleared by Wednesday 5th November, 1919 will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on Wednesday, 5th Nov. 1919 at 10 a.m. No claim will be entertained after the goods have left the ship's side and/or Godown. All claims must be presented within a month of ships arrival otherwise they will not be recognised.  
No fire insurance whatever will be effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
CHINA MAIL S. S. CO. LTD.  
C. H. RITTER,  
Agent,  
Hongkong, 30th October, 1919.

## TIDE TABLE.

20th to 27th October, 1919.			
Day	Month	High Water Mean Time	Low Water Mean Time
Mon.	Oct.	10 12 12	5 37 10
Tues.	"	11 12 12	6 37 10
Wed.	"	12 12 12	7 37 10
Thurs.	"	1 12 12	8 37 10
Fri.	"	2 12 12	9 37 10
Sat.	"	3 12 12	10 37 10
Sun.	"	4 12 12	11 37 10
Mon.	Nov.	5 12 12	12 37 10

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## HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Administrative Orders by  
Major G. H. Wakeman, V. D.  
Acting Administrative Com-  
mandant, state:—

## LEAVE.

2nd Lieut. G. C. Moxon is  
granted leave from 1.11.19 to 10.  
12.19.

Sergt. J. Olson, "B" Com-  
pany, is granted 9 months' leave  
from 1.12.19.

Pte. A.B. Stewart, M.G. Co., is  
granted 12 months' leave from  
15.11.19.

Pte. A.A. Claxton, "A" Coy.,  
is granted 6 weeks' leave from  
30.10.19.

Pte. N.S. Brown, "B" Coy is  
granted 3 months' leave from  
30.10.19.

## ARTILLERY ORDERS.

Orders for Artillery Company  
by Major J.H.W. Armstrong,  
V. D., state:—A Musketry Com-  
petition will be held at King's  
Park Range, Kowloon, on Sun-  
day, 23rd November. It is hoped  
that a large number will be  
available themselves of this oppor-  
tunity of practicing for the  
Musketry Course, which will be  
held on Sunday, 7th December.  
Ammunition will be provided.  
Those intending to compete are  
to send their names to the  
Sergeant-Major of their Half  
Company.

## ENGINEER ORDERS.

Orders for Engineer Company  
by Captain R. Hall state:—

D. E. L. Instruction.—Classes  
for higher ratings will begin at  
Belchers at 9 p.m. on Wednesday,  
November 5th, and will be held  
at the same hour every Wednes-  
day until further notice. It is  
hoped that candidates who have  
their names for these  
classes will be able to attend  
the classes regularly.

Orders for Artillery Company  
by Major J.H.W. Armstrong,  
V. D., state:—

Staff Sergt. Edmonds and Sergt.  
Mabey will attend.

Uniform need not be worn.  
Rifles, belts, pouches and  
dummies to be carried.

## THE GYMKHANA.

TIPS FOR TO-MORROW'S RACES.

There is an element of specula-  
tion in to-morrow's Gymkhana  
as the absence of some of  
the jockeys who have  
left Hongkong during the  
last few days to participate  
in the racing at Shanghai makes it  
difficult to hazard the winners.

In the first race, Card should  
win with Dahlis and Snuff Box  
for places.

In the Gymkhana Stakes, the  
order should be Pink Eye, Red  
Ensign and Rochester.

In Race 3, B class, Kirdale is  
a hot favourite for a win, with Love  
Joy and Morning Star for places.

In the Distance Handicap,  
fourth race, Leander is believed  
to have the best chance for a win,  
followed by White Chalk and  
Excelsior.

In the fifth race, A class, the  
order may be:—Gentle Cat, 1.  
Burning Daylight, 2. Maybe, 3.

In the 1 1/4 mile handicap  
Scotch Box is fancied to win  
with Gentle Cat and Alexander  
for places.

The seventh race should be the  
most interesting of the day, as  
all new hands are taking part, the  
animals being ridden by mafoos.  
They are not the best of the  
griffins. No one can exactly  
forecast what the result will be.  
Yeoman is mentioned as the win-  
ner, with Connaught and Rab as  
good second and third.

## "B" Company.

Tuesday 4th November.—5.15  
p.m. Nos 5 and 6 Platoons.  
All N. C. Os and Men  
who have not completed  
T.E.T. will parade at Headquar-  
ters.

Staff Sergt. Edmonds and Sergt.  
Mabey will attend.

Uniform need not be worn.  
Rifles, belts, pouches and  
dummies to be carried.

## SHIPPING.

VESSELS ARRIVED.

The s.s. SHANTUNG from  
Shanghai arrived this morning  
with 1,182 tons of through and  
293 tons of direct cargo.—Mooring  
B 10.

The TEAN brought 198 tons  
from Canton this morning.—  
Mooring C 36.

The s.s. KHIVA (Capt. H. W.  
Potter) came into port to-day with  
3,000 tons. There were 85 cabin  
passengers on board.

The s.s. ST. ALBANS (Capt.  
G. L. Smith) from Kobe via Moji  
brought 900 tons of general cargo.  
She is one of the fleet of the  
Eastern and Australian Steamship  
Co., Ltd. recently purchased by  
the P. and O. Company.—Mooring  
B 5.

From Wuhu the SHANSI  
brought 2,260 tons.—Mooring C 13.

The s.s. TJIKINI, of the Java-  
China-Japan Line, this morning  
consigned 7,480 tons of general  
cargo from Batavia. There was  
one death on board.—Mooring A 8.

The French vessel KAI PING  
from Haiphong brought 280 tons  
of general cargo.—Mooring C 25.

Coal to the extent of 1,890 tons  
was delivered by the FUSHIKI  
MARU, belonging to the N. Y. K.  
—Mooring No. 1 Wharf.

The SAMAN MARU also  
brought coal from Muke, the  
quantity being 3,133 tons.—Mooring  
B 29.

The TAMA MARU came into  
port yesterday from Calcutta with  
2,500 tons of through cargo and  
300 tons direct. Her agents are  
the N. Y. K.—Mooring Kowloon  
Wharf.

## CLEARANCES.

The CHIP SHING departed  
yesterday for Tientsin with 1,200  
tons.

The SHANSI departed yester-  
day with a through cargo of rice.

The SUWA MARU left this  
morning with 1,200 tons for Seattle  
via Shanghai.

The HAIYANG carried 1,000  
tons for Singapore to-day.